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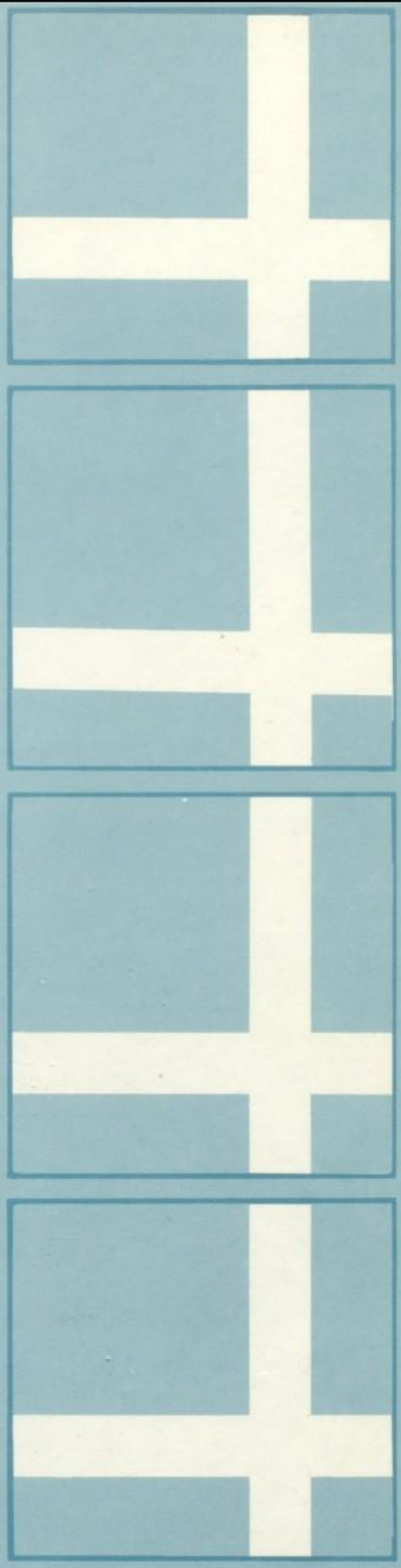

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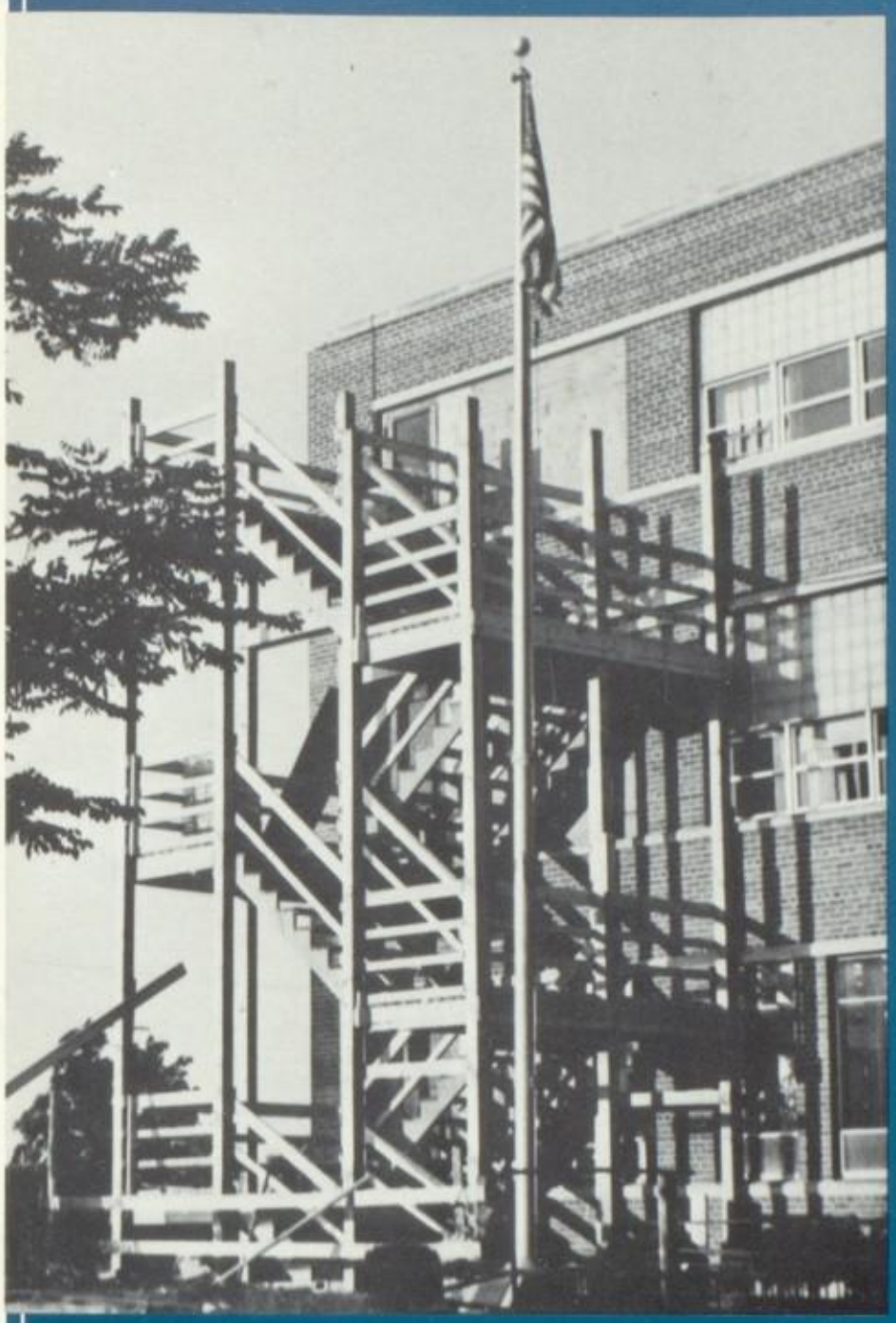

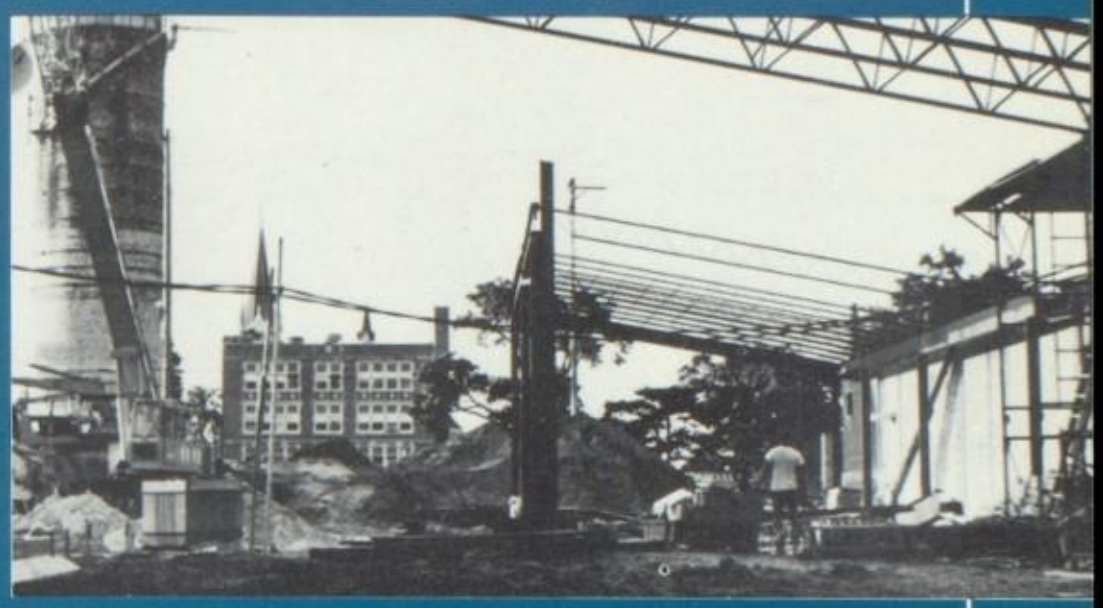

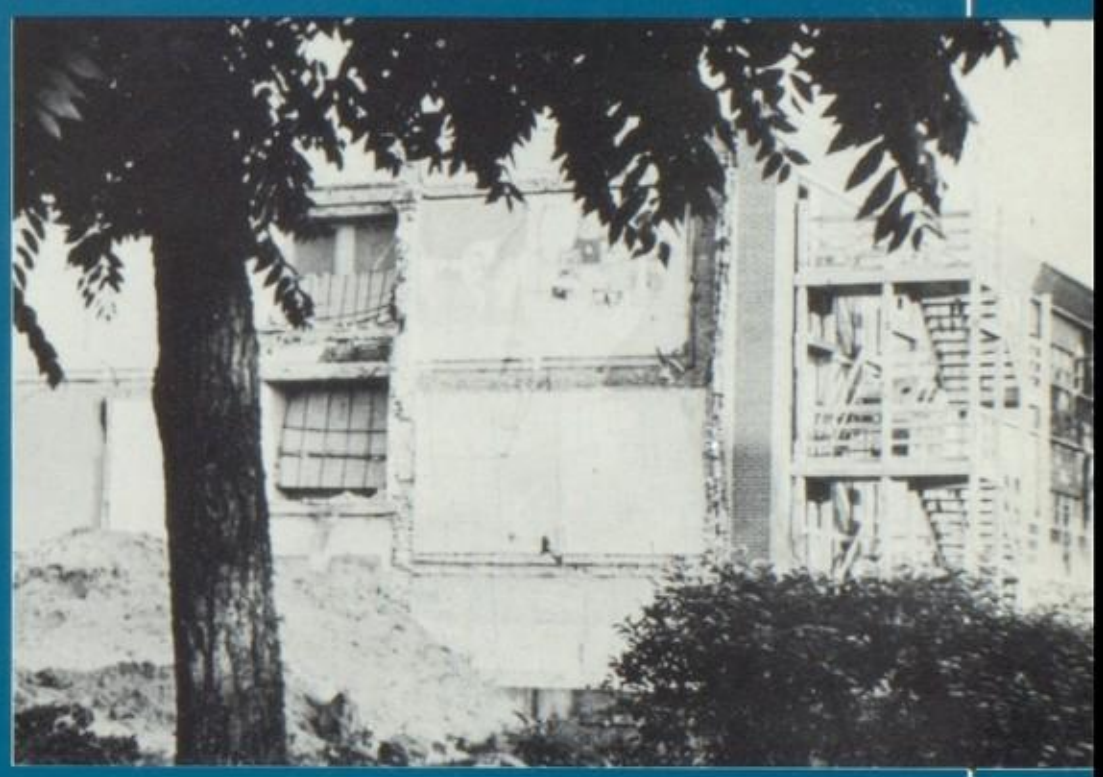

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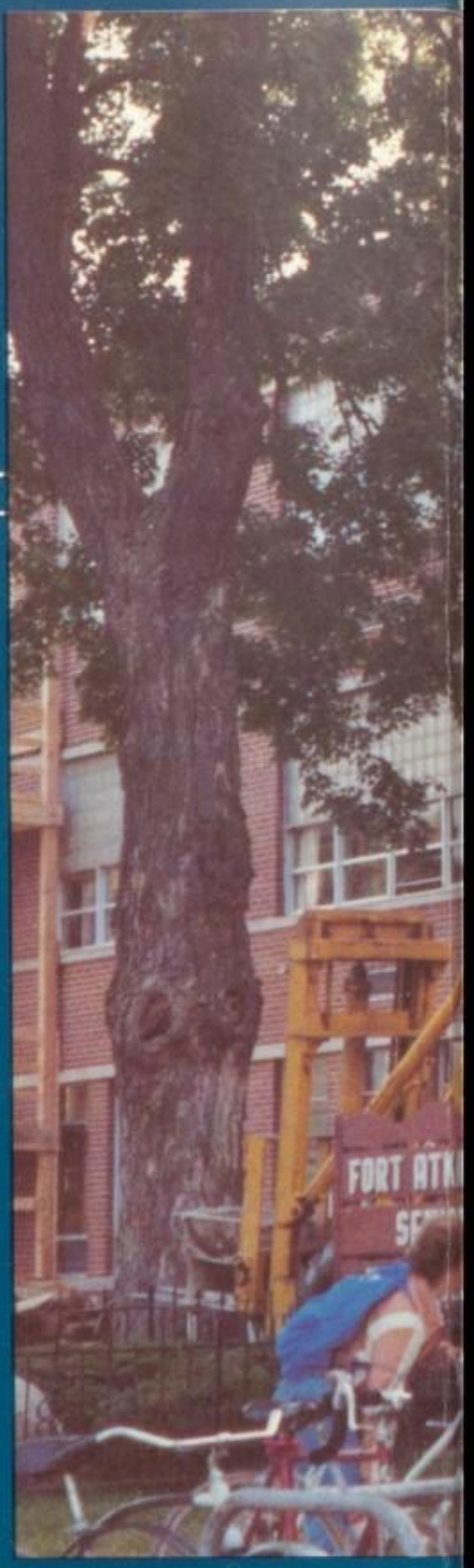
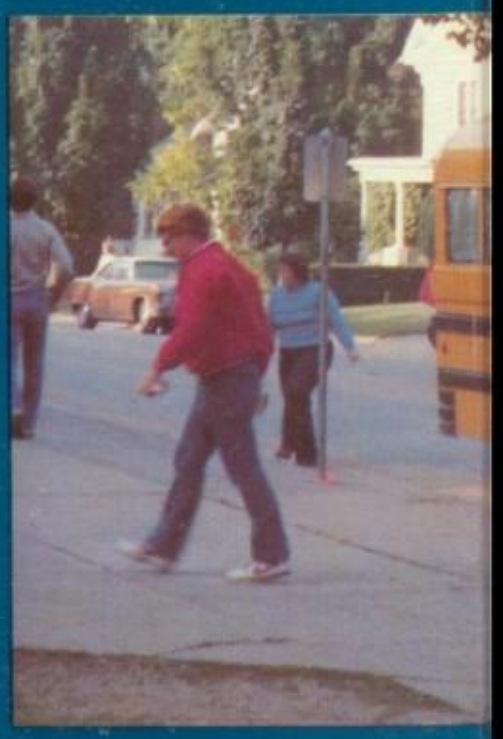
On August 30, the first day of school, students arrive for a year of changes and adjustment. Due to construction, machinery appeared around the school.



Helping raise money for the 1983 *Tchogeerrah*, staffer Gina Sahr soaps up a Ford Model T replica in the Copps parking lot on a Saturday afternoon in August.

After marching, band members Sally Zentner, Kirsten Larson and Heidi Hinz relax with fellow musicians as they await the start of the Memorial Day Ceremony.



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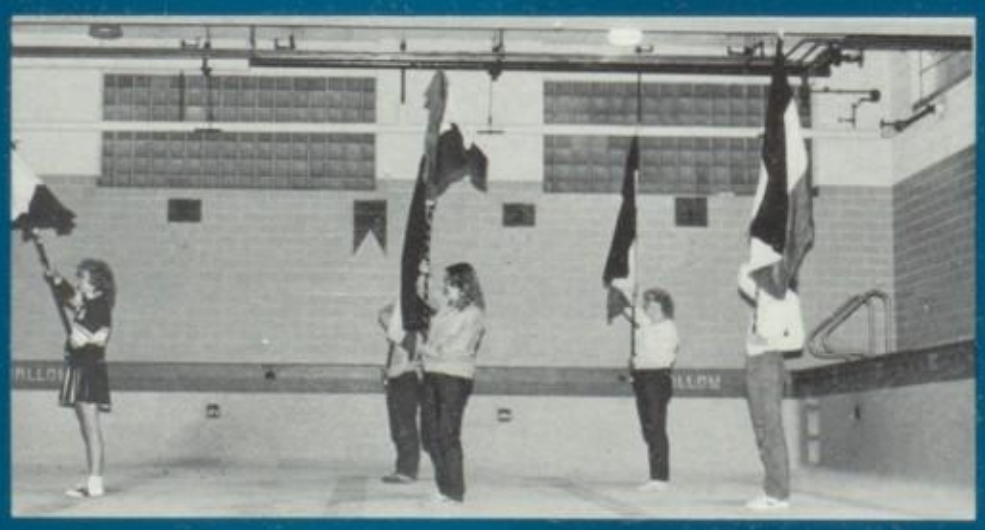
Sledge hammers slammed against the seventy-year-old bricks. Yellow dust rose into the air and settled throughout the hallways. Machines roared by as teachers battled to be heard. Everywhere the construction penetrated, erasing any trace of normality, leaving only chaos. But by the end of the first week, that very chaos became normal, and the school fell into a hectic pattern. It was all a part of the package. Students walked across campus in below zero weather for a class at Emery and crept down the only open staircase with all 616 other members of the school. Swim team members drove to the Jefferson pool for practice, while the flagline took advantage of the extra space and rehearsed in the empty pool. The student body accepted the changes with an optimistic mood. They anticipated the final package more than they objected to the temporary discomfort.

As construction workers set up trailers and stored equipment in the back lot, bus number 31 drops students off in front, the only open entrance to the school.

Construction on the new section of the school building takes a giant step forward as workers pour and smooth out the cement for the ceiling of the first floor.

Buses line up in front of the Senior High at 3:40 waiting to pick up riders. The new cafeteria stood in back where buses used to pick up and drop off students.



Due to the rainy weather the FHS flag line relocates itself in the empty pool for practice. Some needed repairs kept the pool out of commission for swimming.

Before stepping to the plate at a home game played behind Purdy Elementary School, Kris Klemme listens to Coach Paul Olson's advice about where to hit the ball.

At the Homecoming game with Monona Grove, Chris Braman buys a ticket from Mr. Norville Lansing. For the third straight year, the Hawks lost a Homecoming game.

Part of the Package

Beneath the outer wrappings of the construction's noise and mess, the inner package remained the same. School began on August 30 at 7:30 with the first of the buses dropping students off in front instead of at the back entrance, now lost under concrete blocks and steel beams. By the 8:00 bell, the lobby had filled with sophomores, juniors and seniors. Some anticipated the new year, others reminisced about the summer just ended; a few counted the days until Christmas vacation Homecoming Week came offering window painting, color day, and a jello eating contest The traditional tug-of-war between classes added another battle as the construction workers took on all three classes, and the bonfire/pep rally moved to Hammerson's property. The student body changed little in comparison to the building around them Beneath the outer wrappings, the package remained the same.

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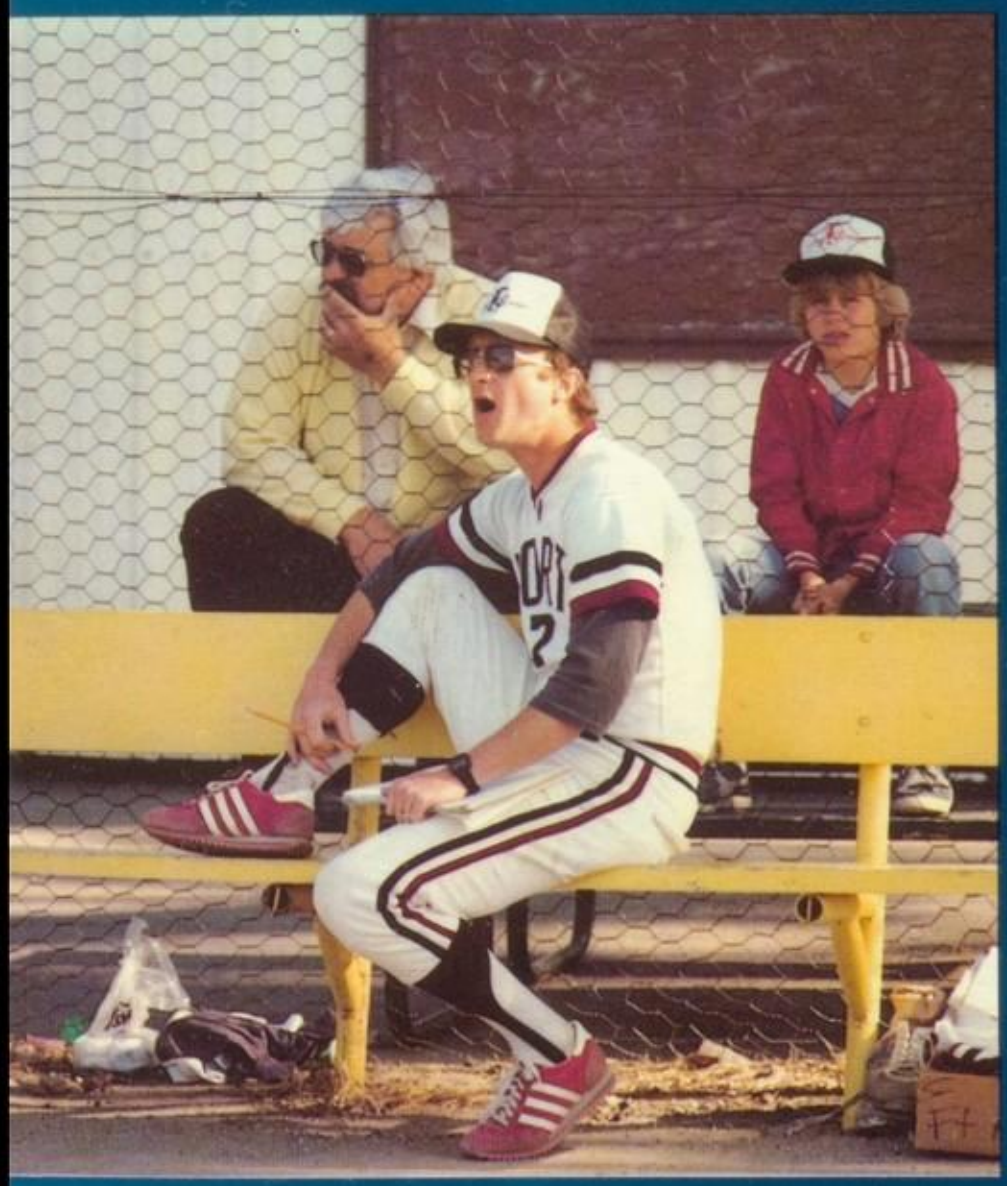
Catching the first rays of the spring season during her lunch hour, Julie Witt soaks up the sun on the high-jump mat after enduring a bitterly cold winter.

Taking advantage of a sunny and warm April lunch hour, Beth Plambeck, Peggy Sykes, Rhonda Smillie, Sally Zentner, and Sandy Newell eat lunch behind the school.

At the Tchogeerrah Christmas party, staffer Jill Winiarski laughs at the sight of her gag gift as Santa Claus, played by Steve Mode, looks on over her shoulder.



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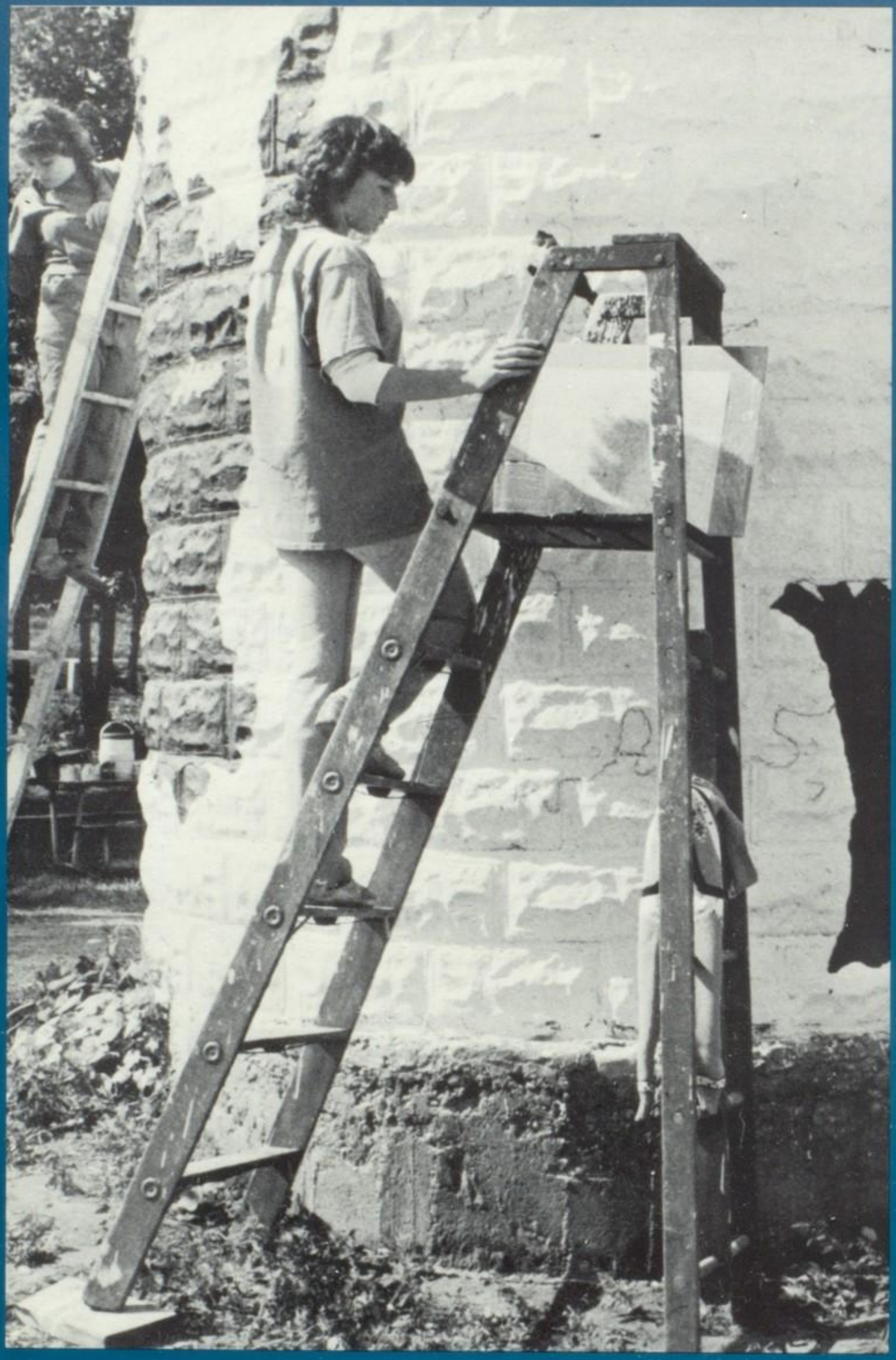
The final package grew as cement walls replaced wooden supports, and workers built scaffolds to accommodate the building's increasing height. Fall came early and very cold, forcing students to huddle in wool sweaters and down jackets while construction workers hurried to install heating ducts. The Outdoor drive-in closed for the season, encouraging students to move indoors to the Fort and Janesville Theatres for their weekend entertainment. Winter stormed in bitterly cold, with temperatures below zero and winds which left small drifts under the boarded up entrances that once led to the 1911 section. As spring finally invaded FHS, the long-awaited building assumed recognizable shape. Students attended classes in the barely finished areas. The final package drew closer each day.

As spectators look on, varsity baseball coach Dan Roahen helps his team from off the field as he shouts words of encouragement to the Blackhawk infielders.



Art League member Colly Marquardt helps the club design and paint a mural on an old silo. The Jefferson County Park Board recruited the League for the project.

Picking out a May basket filled with popcorn and sweets prepared by the cheerleaders, juniors Anne Jazdewski and Denise Lescohier choose one for a friend.

With a packed house at Camp Randall Stadium on Band Day, FHS band members and approximately 50 other bands watch as the Badgers go on to beat Toledo 27-36.

Student Life

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Everyday occurrences, formal occasions, and weekend happenings all comprised a student's life. Fads affected students daily, whether they wore the latest Garfield button or played Pac Man at Lectroland. Students anticipated weekends more than any occasion. The two special days gave students a chance to relax and do as they pleased. Some crashed in front of the TV and watched the Brewers strive for the World Series. Others went to McDonald's, Pizza Hut, or to parties with friends. Each activity made up a part of the final package, student life.

At the annual spring sports banquet, held in the gym, sophomore softball player Carla Zimmerman decides to try a jello dessert from a wide variety of choices.

Decorations set mood; Hagner, Yaeggi Reign

Wandering through an array of flowers, ponds, and trees, couples found their way to the 1982 Junior Prom at the Junior High. Juniors selected "Some Enchanted Evening" as the formal's theme.

Junior class members chose Queen Laurie Hagner and King Brent Yaeggi to reign over Prom. "It made the evening a lot more enjoyable being the queen," commented Laurie Hagner. "I felt I was more involved with prom night."

Debbie Porter, Jim Hollenbeck, Pennie Erdman, Keith Neubert, Chris Mode, and Al Koeppel completed the court. "I had a lot of fun at prom. The band was good, and that made it a lot more fun to dance to," cited Al Koeppel.

Laurie Hagner received the traditional tiara and roses from former Queen Alice Chesmore. The queen's court got their flowers from 1981 King Tim Ault. Students who did not attend the dance could pay a one dollar admission to come in and watch the crowning.

Decorating the Junior High became a big job for the class. Parents helped set up a bridge and construct a gazebo. "I think all the hard work and hours we put into it paid off the night of the dance," summarized Nancy Baio.

Preparations for prom night included girls getting new dresses, shoes, and having their hair done. They also ordered boutonniers for their dates. Getting fitted for tuxedos and ordering corsages became tasks for the guys.

Girls in long dresses and guys in tuxedos and suits dined at a variety of restaurants in the area. These included Janesville Country Club, Sterlingworth, Hoffman House, and Red Circle Inn.

Entertaining couples, "Breathtaker" supplied music for the dance from 8:00 until 12:30. "The Band was good, but they didn't play many slow songs," remarked Tammy Haynes. "I think there should have been more of them."

"There was so much work involved in prom. Many did things right in their homes, such as making flowers," reporter Kirsten Larson. The attendance proved above average. Prom goers purchased 80 advance tickets.

"As An Enchanted Evening" draws to a close, Jeff Arnold and his date Mary Vergenz shyly exchange smiles during the last slow dance of the 1982 Junior Prom.

Dancing to the song "Ordinary Mary," Tammy Timm enjoys prom festivities. "Breathtaker," a Milwaukee based band, entertained couples for the evening.

1982 Junior Prom royalty: Chris Mode, Al Koeppel, Pennie Erdman, Keith Neubert, Queen Laurie Hagner, King Brent Yaeggi, Debbie Porter, and Jim Hollenbeck.

After crossing the bridge and descending the treebordered hallway, Tom Kenny seeks Sondra Matson's assistance in adjusting his boutonnierre.

After the crowning ceremony, as tradition calls for, the 1981 King, Tim Ault bestows his congratulations upon Queen and King Laurie Hagner and Brent Yaeggi.

Friday night, in final preparation for the dance on Staurday, juniors Nancy Baio and Pennie Erdman work together to decorate the gazebo with tissue flowers.

With shovel in hand, Mrs. Conny Carlson joins students at the groundbreaking ceremony. The ceremony signaled the beginning of the razing of the 1911 portion.

At the spring Redskins mother daughter banquet, held at the Blackhawk Hotel, Debbie Porter enjoys her meal. A Mary Kay presentation accompanied the dinner.

FHS groundbreaking tops spring activities

Spring at FHS brought new activities, new ambitions, and a new atmosphere to the school. Scholarship applications and farewell cremonies forced seniors to see high school days diminishing.

Graduates of 1982 learned a bit about what life might be like outside the school. On March 3, the class attended the annual senior symposium, held at the Fort Atkinson Fireside Restaurant.

For the eighth year, the Fort Atkinson Chamber of Commerce hosted the graduating class at a luncheon. Speeches for the program centered on economic freedom and topics in the business field.

Featured at the symposium, area businessmen led discussions. They included such topics as job interviews, running your own business, and free enterprise. Robert Wright, Moore's plant manager, acted as keynote speaker.

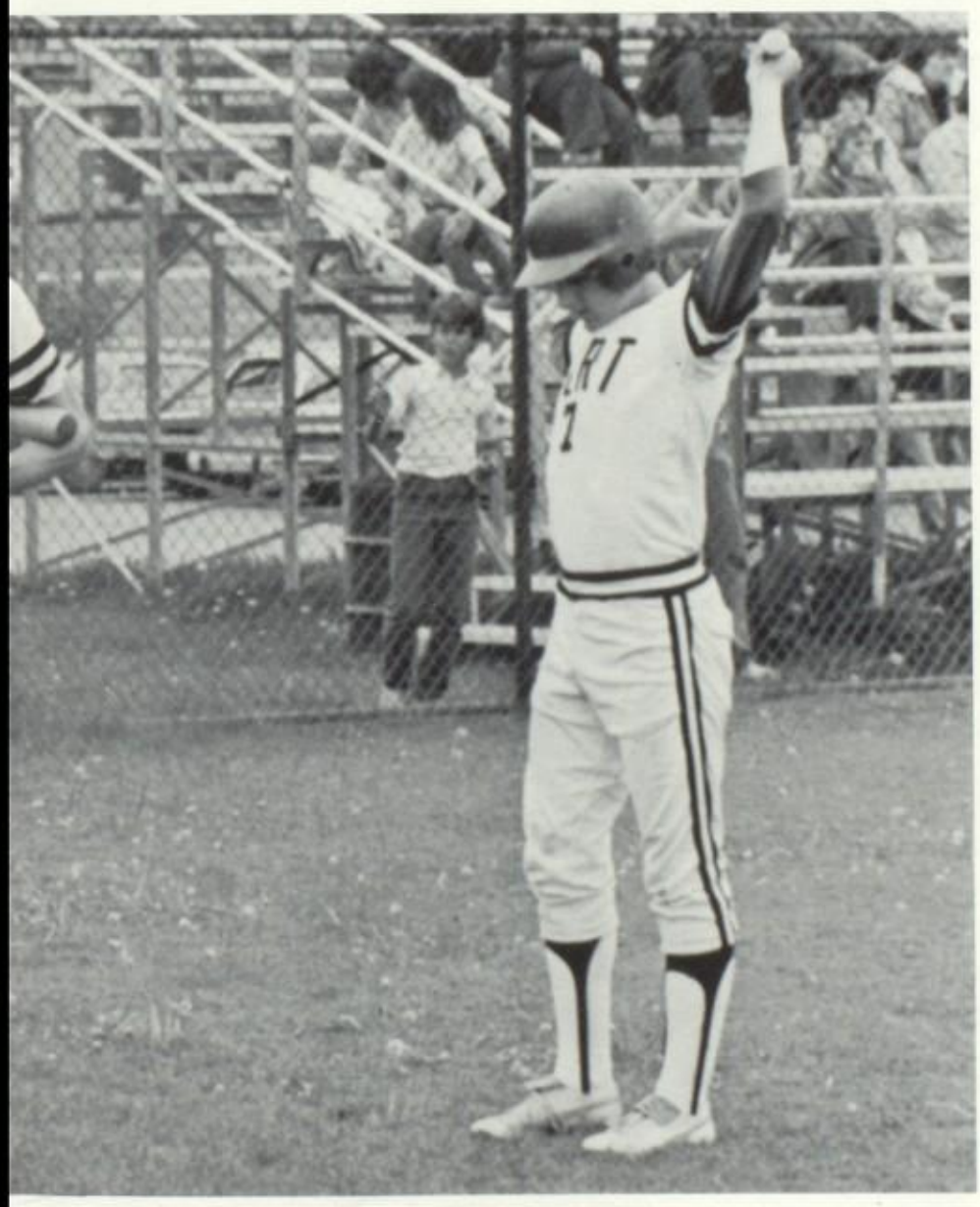
Students and administrators turned out on May 5 to witness the ground breaking of the 1911 portion of the school. Red hard hats and gold shovels accompanied administrators, board members, and students as the digging began.

Spring sports coaches all recognized their captains, rookies, and MVP's at the 27th Annual Athletic Recognition Night. Captains and MVP's received trophies and plaques for their achievements.

Don Knapp, president of the Fort Atkinson Balck Hawk Booster Club, received the highly coveted F-Club Blanket. He earned the annual award after being chosen the most active supporter of athletics.

Knapp contributed to Fort athletics the organization of the growing Booster Club and the production of the seasonal sports booklets. Knapp also involved himself with other athletic services.

After fifteen years as coach of the teams, Mr. Don Piper retired from coaching the Cross Country squads. He received a special plaque from athletic director, Mr. Don Gruber, marking his achievements throughout the years.



Before batting practice at the first Regional game against Lake Geneva, John Offerdahl and Brian Dostalek stretch out. The Hawks defeated the Badgers, 7-4.

During FFA week, sophomore Matt Hutchinson participates in the haybale throwing contest. Other events included a three-legged race, and a wheelbarrow race.

Following AFS student Helena Asirfi's farewell speech, Judy Plambeck and Eric Coonen join the approximately 1400 observers in applauding the Ghanian visitor.

Rain alters ceremony; Koehler twins speak

"Be happy today, tomorrow, and always," advised Kim Marshall in her welcoming address in the crowded gymnasium. As president of the 1982 graduating class, she also commented, "This is a beautiful day," referring to the ceremomy and not the weather.

Rain showers and overcast skies didn't dampen the spirits of the 219 seniors who graduated. Moving the ceremony indoors to the gym brought few problems. "If I had it my way," noted Mr. Glen Lepley, "I'd have it indoors every year."

Chosen by classmates, Theresa Koehler and Andy Koehler presented speeches for the commencement. Reverend Luke Bocher of Frieden's United Church of Christ gave the invocation and benediction.

Theresa Koehler spoke of friendships which she compared, in the title of her speech, to "Precious Gold". She also read "New Friends, Old Friends," a poem by John Cary. Losing old friends but acquiring new ones summarized the theme of the poem.

"I think we should take our troubled times in stride," noted Andy Koehler while he presented a speech entitled "Optimism". Andy suggested that the graduates never to let a tragedy, no matter how great, break their willingness and spirit to succeed in life.

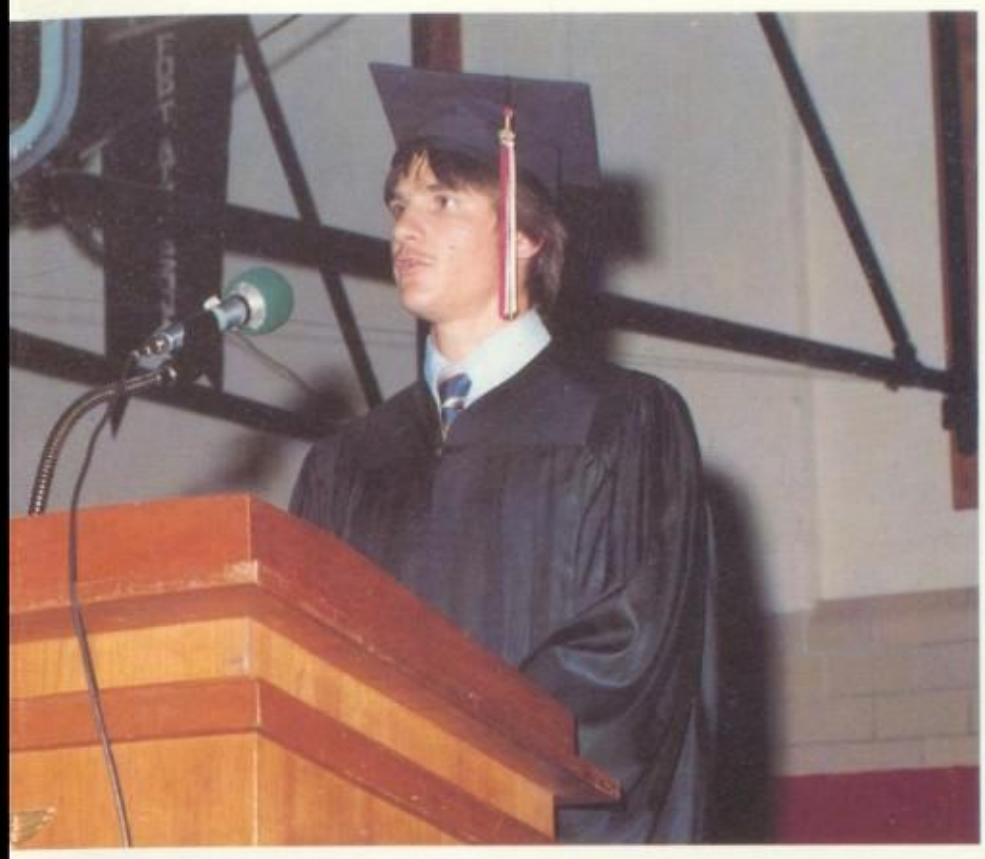
AFS student, Helena Asirifi from Ghana, Fort Atkinson's 24th AFS student, tearfully accepted a high school class ring from principal, Mr. Glenn Lepley. She also received an American flag from her fellow classmates, and various gifts from her host family.

Kevin Heussner, a graduating senior, professed, "Graduation was one of the best days of my life." He, among others, had long anticipated the day when they would receive their diplomas and be on the road to independence.

Crowds of parents, relatives, and friends congregated in the gym to share the spirit and happiness of graduation. A mother of one student, Mrs. Arnold Offerdahl, vowed in reference to a graduate's independence, "When they're ready for it, I'm ready for it!"

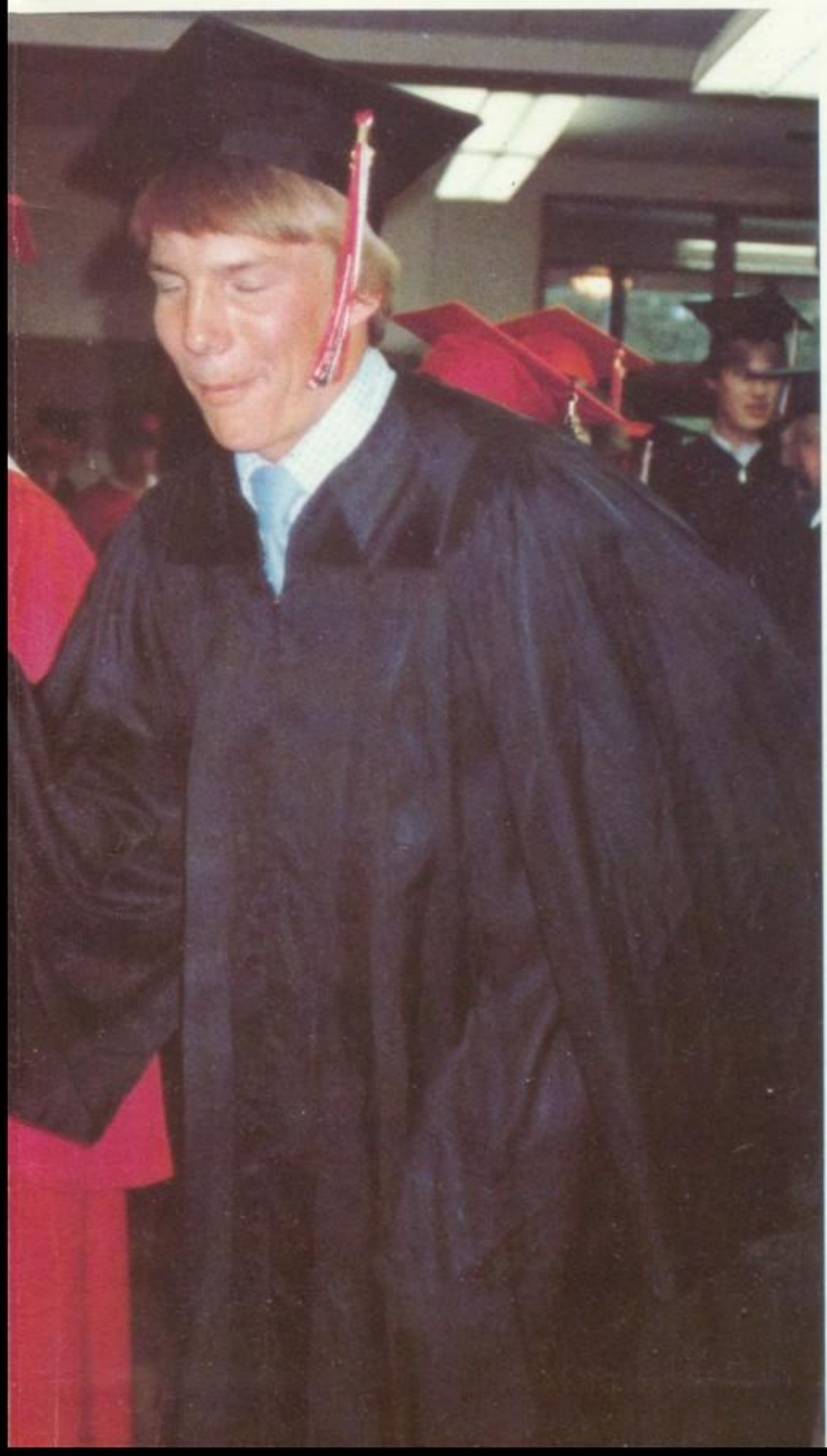
Under the outward appearance of gowns in the school's colors, black and red, students wore a variety of clothes. The boys' attire ranged from suits to jeans and tennis shoes, while the majority of girls wore dresses.

Entering to "Pomp and Circumstance" Al Bauer and classmates prepare to file into the gym. Debbie Langhoff stands near, pondering the afternoon ahead.



At the graduation ceremony, Andy Koehler spoke on "Optimism." "Troubled times are not due to fate or bad luck, but are simply part of life," stated Koehler.

Along with receiving her silver cord, Colleen Keating accepts congratulations from the president of the Fort Atkinson Education Association, Mr. Phil Schubert.



Opening their presentation with "You'll Never Walk Alone", by Rogers and Hammerstein, senior Jodi Ratcliff and junior Jody Furley perform with the FHS choir.

In 90° heat, gridders Bob Boss, Kelly Jordan and Scott Catron get in shape for the upcoming season by sweating it out on the first day of six-hour practices.

At the long-awaited opening of the 1911 cornerstone, Mr. Glenn Lepley peers into the box containing antique items, later given to the Hoard Museum for display.

Sun attracts students; beach parties popular

Scorching, sunfilled days, catching rays at Sandy Beach, Tripp Lake or Lake Ripley, "road cruises" for juniors with their newly acquired licenses, night life at the outdoor and having get togethers with friends. All this took place over the summer.

During the summer, construction of the school and uncovering the cornerstone of the 1911 building took place. The box contained many historical items including a speech by Governor Hoard, coins, lists of classes, and pictures.

City softball and soccer leagues offered students a chance to keep in shape. Sports that also proved popular included swimming, biking, jogging and water skiing. Senior Keith Neubert commented on water skiing, "It is a cool way to spend a sunny afternoon."

Students spent their summer income on movies, traveling to Marriott's Great America, and Brewer games. Going to various areas of the country proved common. Senior Brent Schaefer spent two weeks in Hot Springs, Colorado, touring and hiking in the mountains.

August 13-15 involved students interested in participating in the Fort Fest celebration. Juniors Kim Austin, Sondra Matson, Sue Rowley, Sylvia Thomas and Carla Zimmerman formed an air-guitar band which captured first place in the annual talent show.

Many students found summer employment at local firms such as MacDonald's, Copps, Sentry, K-Mart, Shop Rite, Eagle, D.Q., The Pharmacy and The Fireside. Junior Ben Bernard summerized, "I think the best part of working is the day I receive my pay check."

Girls who didn't want to take on permanent employment turned to babysitting. Though they generally enjoyed the work, it paid considerably less than many jobs. However, most agreed that earning $1.00 per hour covered the many expenses of the summer.

Cheerleading, football, and journalism camps became just a few retreats that occupied a week or two of the summer break. Sophomore Amy Kenny, a jayvee cheerleader, commented, "We got an award for being the peppiest jayvee squad. It was great!"

All fall sports began practicing on August 16 except football. August 9 marked the first day for the gridders. The football team practiced for the longest duration, six hours. Other sports prepared two hours daily.

Junior Colleen Marguart declared "E. T." one of the best movies of the summer. "It was cute when E. T. dressed up and hid with the stuffed animals!" Other popular productions included "Poltergeist," "Rocky III," and "Friday the 13th."

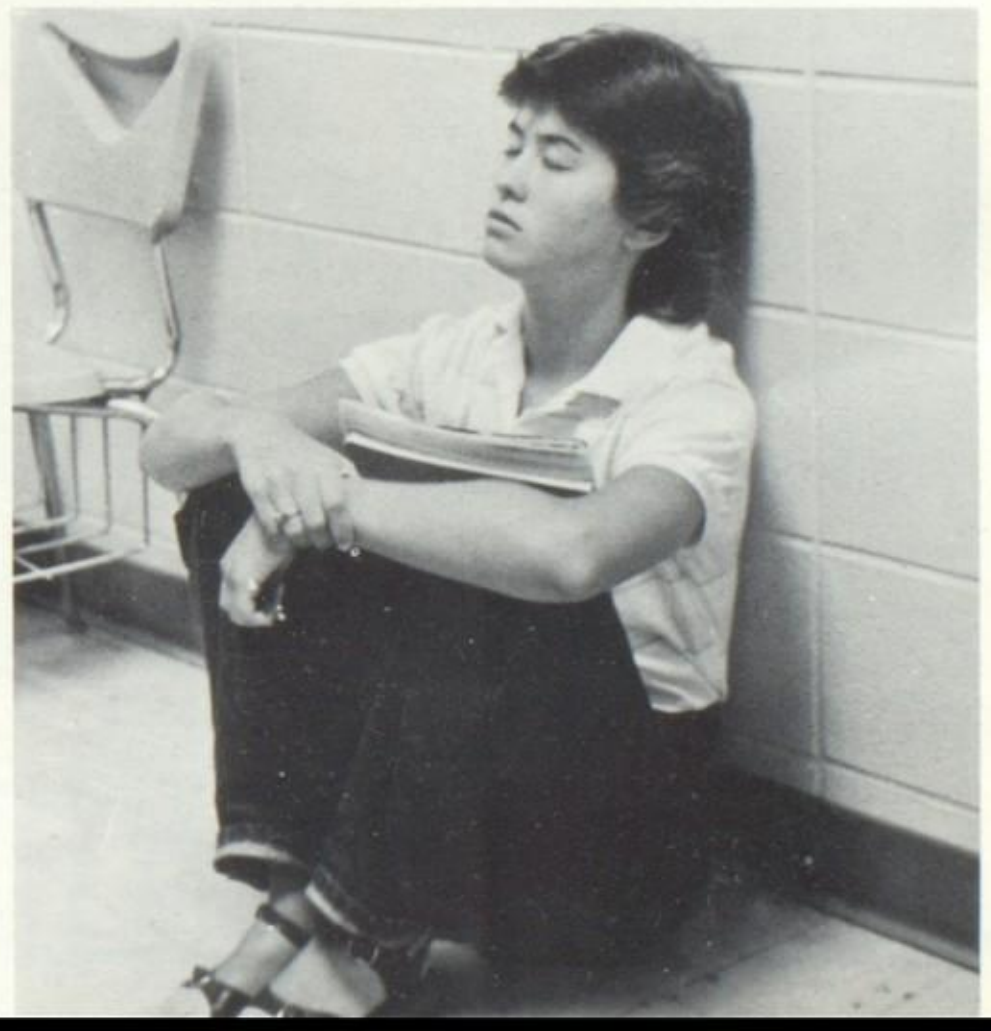
As summer came to an end, students withdrew from the sun and into the nearby shopping malls to purchase new fashions and accessories for the school year. Janesville and Madison topped the lists of places to shop.

Students rushed to get school supplies and pick up their schedules, as the days wound down to the last week of summer. New haircuts and discussing the upcoming year with friends took place before the onset of the first day.

Sooner than anyone planned, on August 25, the familiar school bell sounded calling students back to FHS. The summer of '81-'82 brought opportunities for some fun, leisure and also money-making.

Tell-tale signs that the school began taking on its new look popped up frequently amidst huge dirt piles, cranes, bulldozers and construction workers.

After staying up to 3:00 a.m. working on copy and designing lay-outs, Sandy Newell leans back exhausted. She attended yearbook camp at Ball State University.



Savage sequel runs; Carlson team directs

Loud laughter and giggling comments filled the Jr. High auditorium as the curtain rose for the 1982 All-School Play, *The Savage Dilemma*. A cast of mostly seniors displayed their talents as patients at a mental institution.

For the fourth time in the last five years, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Carlson directed the play, *The Savage Dilemma*, a sequel to the 1980 play, *The Curious Savage*. They waited a year between the two plays so there would be a different group acting the roles.

Six weeks of practicing and rehearsing went into the final production. Students also worked backstage to make the play a success. Jill Kruyne, student in charge of the music, stated, "There is a lot of work behind the scenes that people do not realize."

"We had a really good time doing the play. Everyone got along well!" observed junior Kate Garrett. They also ran into some problems. "The first night proved the toughest. We made up a lot of our lines as we went along," explained senior Holly Heussner.

"I thought the play was really funny. They all did a great job!" claimed junior Heather Henning. Dolly Piper, society editor for **Daily Union** wrote, "These young people, who have worked so very hard to produce such a fine play, need to be applauded."

"The attendance at *The Savage Dilemma* was not very good," judged Speech teacher, Mr. Schubert. "The last few years' attendance at the plays have been around 375-400. This year's attendance was approximately 300."

Other than the lack of attendance, Mrs. Carlson cited no other major problems. "The cast members and crew people were, perhaps, the most cooperative crew we've every worked with!" she claimed.

Attempting to stay calm, head doctor of The Cloisters mental institution, Dr. Emmet, listens to Al's threats to hold the patients as hostages for ransom money.

During one of Mrs. Paddy's 'hate' lines, Mrs. Savage tries to reason with her. Mrs. Paddy relieved her frustrations by listing what she disliked.

Gleefully looking on, Fairy May listens to Mrs. Paddy's disgust with mice, lice, green and dreams, while Jeanie sits watching the two inmates unbelievingly.

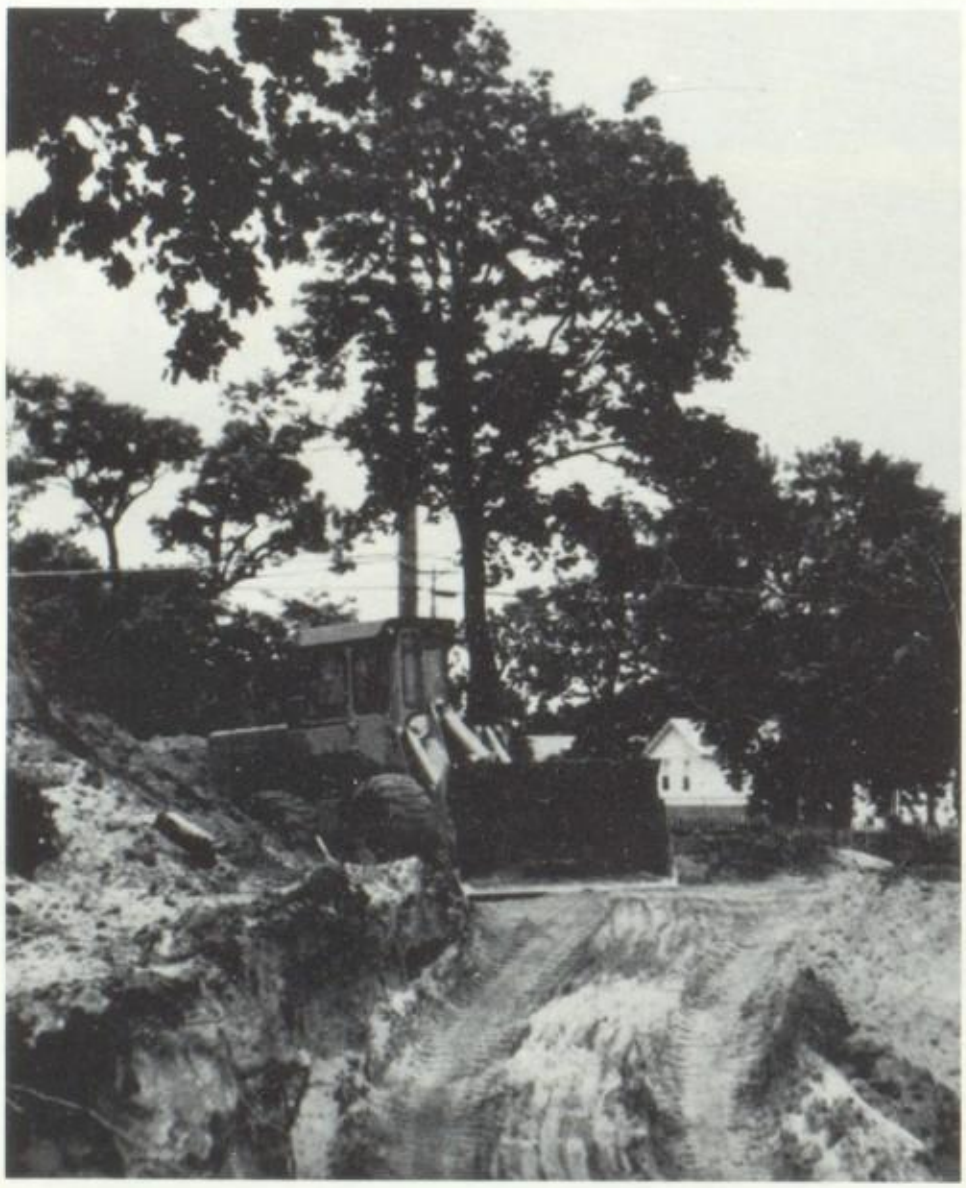
Fairy May, portrayed by Rhonda Smillie, pleads with Jeanie to be her sister. Kate Garrett who played Jeanie, acted as a teenage hoodlum holding up the institution.

At a worknight, Mr. Carlson uses a circle saw to make moldings for a side door. The cast and the Carlsons supplied most of the props for *The Savage Dilemma.*

Mrs. Paddy leaves in disgust as Florence reads *The Birds and the Bees* to her imaginary son John Thomas while fellow inmates Fairy May and Hannibal listen in.

Joining their fellow citizens of Fort Atkinson, a group of high school students hike along part of the ten mile course for the crop walk to fight world hunger.

Junior Kevin Becker helps carry folding chairs into the First Congregational Church for the Country Fair. The profits went toward various church activities.



After the razing of the 1911 section of the high school, a construction worker works with earth moving equipment to even out the site for the new cafeteria.

Strike, local building projects change Fort

Despite the Jones strike and large businesses' long-term unemployment, small enterprises worked their way into the expanding community. These small businesses ranged anywhere from numerous health and fitness centers to various types of construction work.

Twenty-five percent of new enterprises concerned themselves with personal improvement. These included the Diet Center, Fantasia Gymnastics Club, Dr. Fok, The Quality Bike Shop, Orthodontics Associates, and Harpercraft.

During the month of October, 400 employees who worked at Jones Dairy Farm went on strike because of a disagreement on their pay and benefits. The strike affected the people in the community both socially and economically.

Senior Holly Heussner stated, "I feel that the workers at Jones have the right to strike, especially if they feel threatened in any way." Junior Lori Ziebell felt differently. She claimed, "Nothing was gained from the strike."

Long-term road construction began this year. Crews tore roads up for a new sewer system as contractors laid plans for a new subdivision on South Main Street. Streets, side roads, and several sidewalks underwent repairs.

Two large community construction projects also started, an addition to the senior high school and a major remodeling and enlargement of the public library. W. D. Hoard and Sons provided a favorable financial arrangement for the advancement of the library.

Many community buildings, served for various other purposes. The municipal building main area hosted many activities to help local organizations, such as the fireman's annual dance. A local church, the First Congregational, hosted reduced meals for senior citizens.

Fort Atkinson abounded with community organizations whose main function included activities that benefited the city as a whole. The Lion's Club donated time and money to establish parks and also equipped and maintained them.

After his wife's presentation at the Hoard Museum of their trip to Tibet, "Wild Kingdom" narrator Marlin Perkins informs Mr. Roub on customs of Tibet.

Students took advantage of community sports programs. Dodging an opponent, Carl's soccer team member Don Schantz dribbles toward Doug Wangerin.

Come rain or shine

Wisconsin weather proves unpredictable as snow arrives late

Unpredictable ... Will it snow in time for skiing? Will the summer sun produce 90° heat? Will the spring flowers blossom? Will the fall evenings be too cool for football games?

Unpredictable weather conditions characterized life in Wisconsin. People listened to the news at night learning that the weatherman predicted two inches of snow, just to wake up the next morning with absolutely not one flake on the ground.

Skiing enthusiasts suffered an unexpected letdown. The first real snowfall of 1983 did not appear until January 14. As a result, many stores found it hard to sell their winter inventory of sleds, warm flannel pajamas and ice skates.

Earlier in the year, the **Farmer's Almanac** predicted a bitterly cold winter with an enormous amount of snow. Reid Bryson, professor of meteorology at the University of Wisconsin — Madison, expected that the winter would be colder than normal.

Wisconsin summers promised almost every type of activity. Swimming, picnicking, playing tennis and soaking up the sun took up some vacation time. Rob Kern summarized, "Wisconsin summers produce the best kind of weather for swimming and other sports."

Summer clothes played a big role in beating the weather. Popular summer attire included sandals, though many went barefoot with shorts, and t-shirts, Many students lived in their swimsuits from morning to night.

Watching football games on cool fall evenings forced spectators to bring blankets, mittens, and mosquito repellant. Students kept busy raking autumn leaves and inserting storm doors and windows. Halloween costume parties highlighted the autumn season.

Spring brought flowering crab apple trees and colorful tulips along with rising temperatures. Springtime activities included going to Brewer games, vacationing during Easter break, and frantic preparations for graduation.

Taking advantage of a cool fall day, Rick Jooss jogs through the Koshkonong Mounds trails. He ran approximately three times a week to keep in shape for track.

Displaying a slapshot, junior Kevin Becker aims the puck toward the opposition's goal. Students of all ages played ice hockey and skated at Haumerson's pond.

Summer construction workers began demolishing the old 1911 structure in hot and humid weather. Workmen salvaged the cornerstone which held historic remnants.

After eating their lunches, Dixie Hupke, Brenda Christian, Joyce Meske and Donora Hollenbeck participate in a friendly snowball fight outside the high school.

Springtime forces seniors to try on gowns and practice marching. Lynn Beckman, Nancy Baio, Kirsten Larson, Jim Schlender and Pat O'Donnell role-play marching.

Tug-of-war highlights Homecoming activities

Homecoming week offered a welcome break from the regular school routine of many FHS students. Seniors chose Sally Zentner to reign over the events. Seniors Penni Bundick and Kris Jahnke, junior Kim Austin and sophomore Heidi Bachar completed the court.

Throughout the festive Homecoming week at FHS, students participated in a variety of activities. These ranged from wearing sweatshirts and ties to school, to sucking down a plate of jello during the lunch hour to earn points for the respective classes.

Other events which took place during the lunch hour included a water balloon toss, arm-wrestling, the orange pass, and the traditional tug-of-war. Some dress-up days featured M*A*S*H costumes, color day and crazy hat day.

An addition to the tug-of-war between the classes featured a battle between ten male students and ten construction workers. The workers captured a victory over the battling Fort High students.

After compiling all spirit points earned by the three competing classes, the results revealed that the juniors dominated the Homecoming week with a grand total of 241 points. The senior class earned 182, while the sophomores managed to net 136 points.

Due to the renovation of the school, the annual Homecoming bonfire and pep rally took place at Haumerson's pond. After watching the cardboard MG go up in flames, students journeyed to the high school gym for the first air-guitar contest and a sock hop.

Unexpectedly, equipment malfunctions forced an abbreviation of these events. Nevertheless, cheerleaders led the rowdy crowd in cheers chanting, "We're number 1!" and various class cheers.

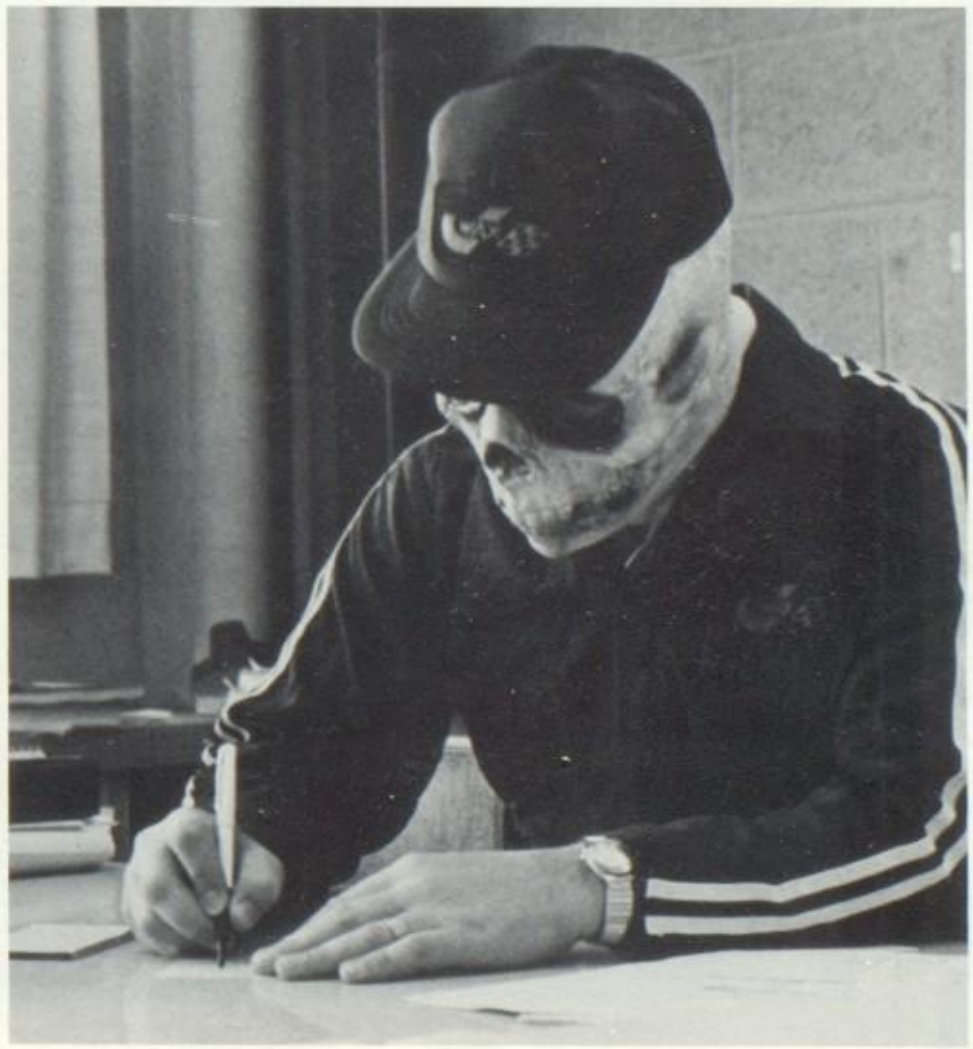
At the school pep assembly, the seniors ranked above the underclassmen in the yelling contest, winning the jug for the first time. Seniors also painted signs on local businesses windows like "We'll clothes out the MG Silver Eagles," and "Go Fort Hawks."

Zzynx entertained approximately 70 couples attending the dance from 8:30 to 12:00 p.m. The theme "Lights" featured a mural of a skyline and Broadway lights. Due to construction, the Homecoming dance moved from the little gym to the Junior High auditorium.

1982 Homecoming Court: John Nell, Heidi Bachar, Eric Bachar, Penni Bundick, Queen Sally Zenter, Roger Rumppe, Kris Jahnke, Mark Foss, Kim Austin, Tim Ault.

Traditionally, interested seniors painted Blackhawk sayings on local businesses windows. Heidi Hinz assists Jill Kruyne while decorating the Lectroland windows.

Polkaing to the tune "On Wisconsin," high-spirited FHS students crowd the gym during the pep assembly. The rally also featured cheers and a yelling contest.



Football tri-captain Pete Syens ignites the cardboard MG and outhouse at the bonfire held at Haumerson's. Singing, dancing, and cheering preceded the burning.

Accounting teacher Mr. Bill Simon takes advantage of costume day by portraying a monster. Faculty in costume earned five points for their homerooms.

The videomania virus

Students struck by Pac-Man, Centipede video craze

Sweat dripped down his face. His hands shook and his eyes became glossy and crazed. The symptoms of videomania, the latest craze in "entertainment," claimed another victim.

Students expressed many different opinions about video games. Dan Nelson commented, "I think that the games can be abused. They should not be used for competition, but for personal enjoyment."

Junior Shari Last viewed the craze differently. "I think playing computer games is an excellent way to spend an afternoon because there is no harm in them, and you can have a lot of fun for only a quarter."

Places to play the games ranged from local bowling alleys to Fort's arcade, Lectroland. Students also enjoyed going out of town to game rooms in the Janesville Mall.

Pac-Man emerged as one of the favorite computer/video games among students. Along with Pac-Man, a game almost identical, Ms. Pac-Man also proved popular. Galaxian, Donkey Kong and Centipede also became favorites.

Reasons students gave for liking computers and video games varied from their simplicity to their graphics. Students also enjoyed trying out the most recent challenges available on the market.

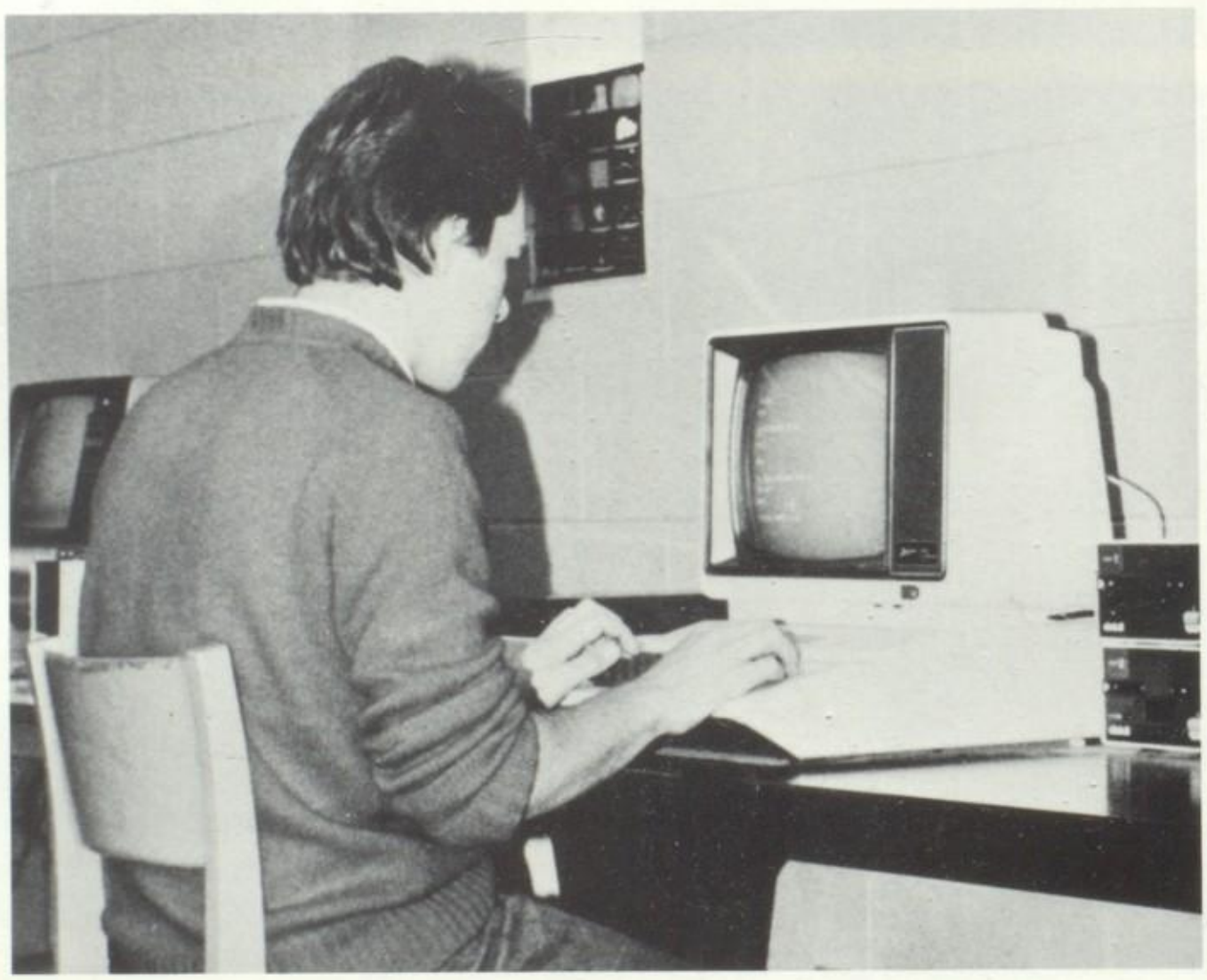
Thirty-one percent of the students polled owned a home computer game, the most popular brand being Atari. Other companies also made home equipment such as Intellivision and Odyssey. Cartridges like Pitfall and Defender could be purchased for the games.

At home, most students played their video games approximately one to two times a week. At arcades however, students spent anywhere from $.25 to over $3.00 weekly.

Computers served purposes other than entertainment, such as learning and teaching aids. 1982 became a year of change as computers took over manually operated tasks.

Many students planning to go on to college looked into the computer field, as computers quickly took over many jobs. Programming and writing new languages for the computers offered new job openings for college graduates.

Computers made such rapid advances during the year that they received a great deal of news coverage. *Time* magazine felt the computer important enough to name it the 1982 "Man of the Year."



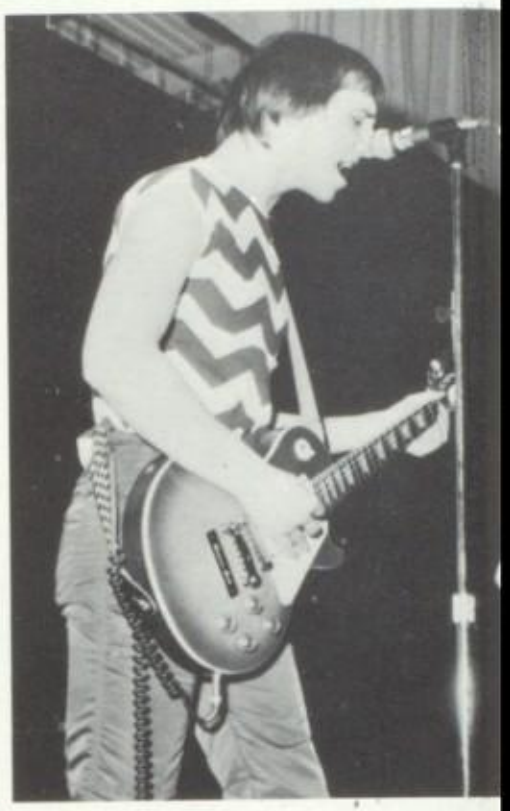
Working on a personal program during his study hall, Marc Pernacciaro uses a computer in Mr. Noll's room to compose "Stairway to Heaven."

Engaging in the video game craze, Al Koeppel concentrates on eliminating his opposition in the popular video game Galaga at Lectroland.

Spending a Saturday afternoon at Lectroland, Fort's local arcade, Sophomore Phil Godfrey decides to deposit a quarter in "Astro Fighter" for another game.

After awarding Joyce Meske her flowers, 1982 Queen Theresa Koehler reminisces over the previous year's formal, held despite the blizzard and sub-zero weather.

Following their warm-up band, "Straight Up" lead vocalist and guitarist sings "Shadows in the Rain." Two bands performed at the dance for the first time ever.



Under an array of balloons and streamers, couples slow dance to the April Wine song, "Just Between You and Me," played by the Beloit based band, "Straight Up."

Dual groups perform at 42nd winter dance

Surrounded by rainbows, clouds, balloons, streamers, and unicorns, couples danced to the music of "Straight Up" at the 42nd annual Redskin Winter Formal on January 15. Redskin members chose the song "Sweet Dreams" by Air Supply as the theme of the dance.

For the first time, due to the reconstruction project, the site of the formal changed from the former "little gym" to the junior high auditorium. "The junior high was harder to decorate because it is so much larger," noted Redskin member Michelle Meier.

Redskin members decorated the auditorium, constructing a hot air balloon, a colorful rainbow, and streamers hung from a hula hoop on the ceiling. "The girls did a good job decorating. They all pitched in to get the task done," stated adviser Bev Killian.

For the first time ever, a warm-up band played before the main band. "Straight Up" also brought a separate sound and light crew to help them set up their special lighting and sound effects.

The weather change from the 1982 to the 1983 formal aided couples. Last year's sub-zero weather and snow confined couples to restaurants in the Fort area. With the temperature in the 30's, couples went to the Madison area.

Couples journeyed to a variety of places for their dinner, Fox and Hounds, Pine Knoll, Hoffman House and White Horse Inn to name a few. "I liked treating the guy for dinner. It is a big change and it's fun!" commented Kris Jahnke on the Redskin tradition.

For a change of atmosphere, some couples chose to have dinner at home. "The food was just as good as a restaurant and it was a lot more relaxed. It was a different experience which made it fun," stated junior Pete Baio.

Upon entering the dance, couples voted on a queen who met eligibility requirements including being a senior member of Redskins and no previous court honor. Couples elected Joyce Meske to reign as queen. 1982 Queen Theresa Koehler returned to crown her.

After Redskins, couples enjoyed a variety of activities. Going for breakfast, to parties, or home for a movie on T.V. proved popular. "I think there should be more planned activities for after dances. There really isn't much to do," noted Mike Wallace.

Entering, Jack Kruyne, Heidi Henning, Tammy Haynes and Don Lauritzen run through a rain cloud. Clouds and other decorations portrayed the theme "Sweet Dreams."

At the Friday work day, junior Sara Bickle finishes decorating a bubbler with streamers. Because of a day off, Redskins decorated on Friday for Saturday's dance.

For your eyes only

Contact wearers prefer soft lenses; many still favor glasses

Most people know the nursery rhyme, "Cross my heart hope to die, stick a needle in my eye." Few people went to that extreme, but many took up sticking glass in their eyes.

Students with poor vision began replacing glasses with either hard or soft contact lenses. The main reason for trading in the bulky spectacles for the contacts proved to be for comfort and looks.

Three-year contact owner Sylvia Thomas revealed, "I hated wearing glasses and many people thought I looked better without them. So I decided to take the big step and go for contacts. I'm really glad I did!"

Of the 125 students surveyed, 9% wore soft contacts, none wore hard lenses, and 10% wore glasses. Soft contact owners complained about ripping their contacts. Becky Keleny added, "Hard lenses scratch easier than soft."

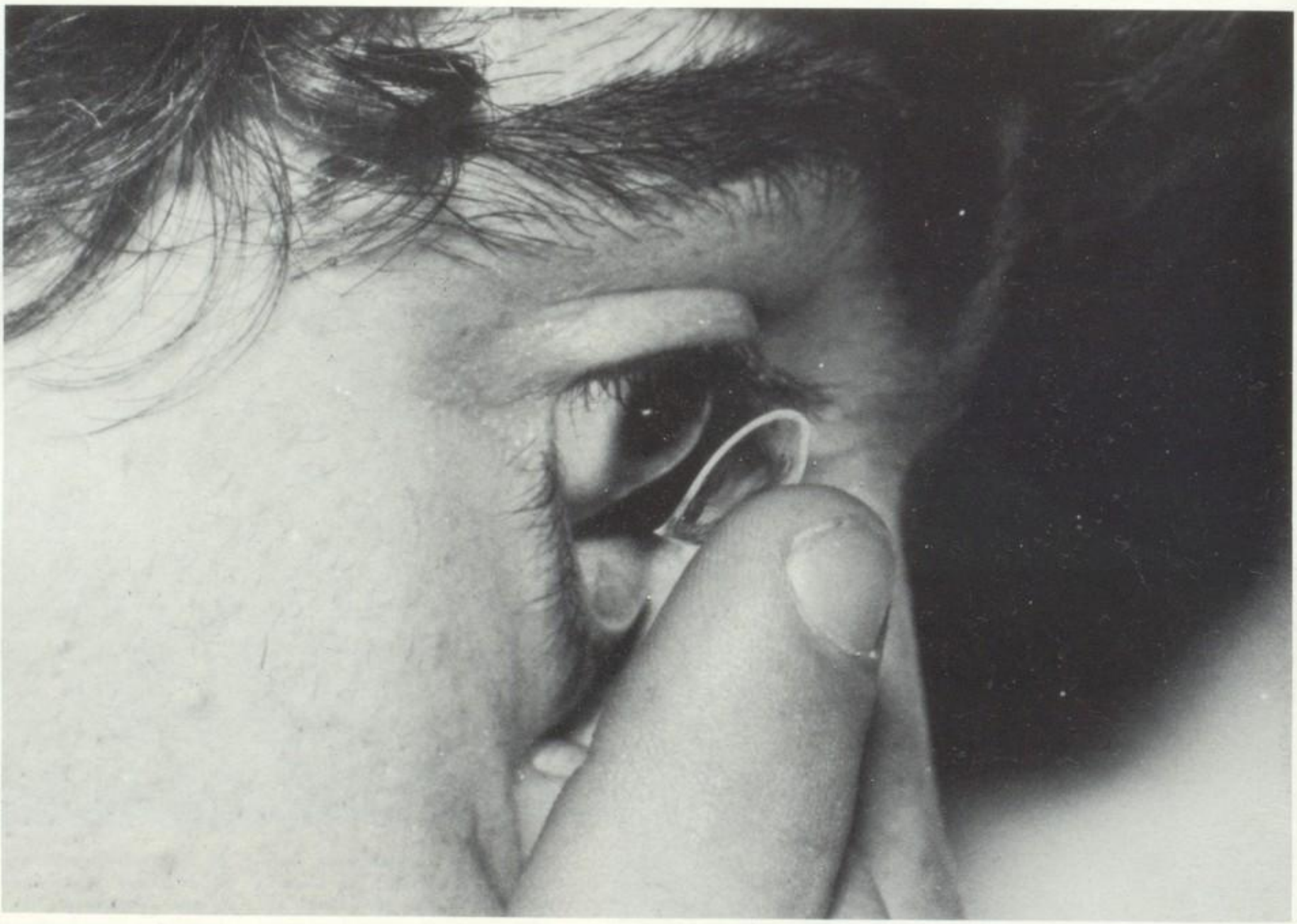
Contact lenses ranged in price from $70 to $300. Bill Notbohm, a soft contact wearer, stated that his contacts cost around $150. That price did not include the solution refills and cases for them.

Contacts took a great deal of care. Owners did everything from soaking them in enzymes and polishing them nightly to finding a lost contact on the floor. To some, the lenses seemed bothersome.

Complications developed, preventing some from wearing their contacts for several days. Sondra Matson noted, "Hard contacts irritated my eyes so I switched to soft, but they tear easily." Despite problems, Sondra still preferred contacts.

Corey Butler, a student who chose to wear glasses declared, "I don't have contacts because they are expensive and a pain to care for." Many students with glasses agreed with his point.

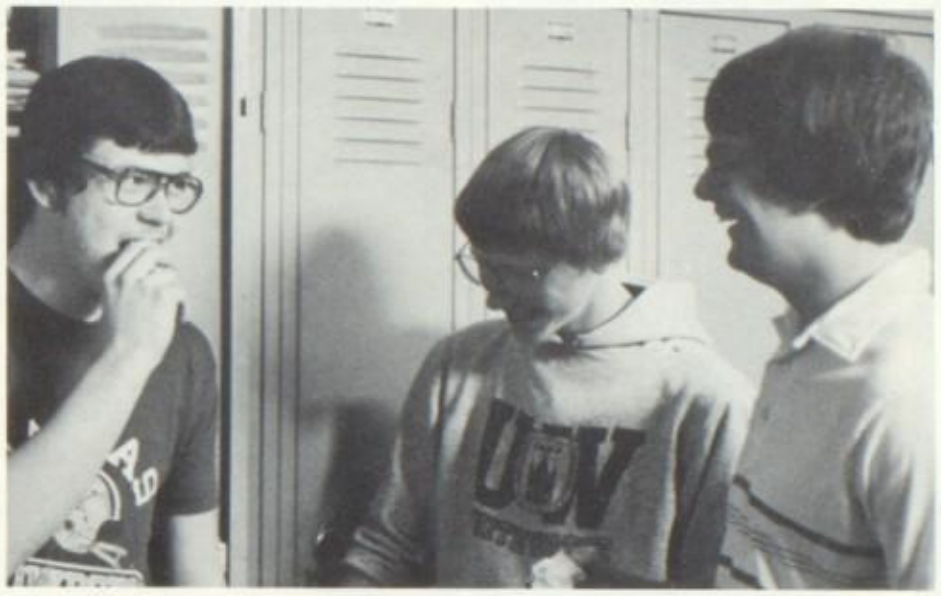
Though many students chose contacts over glasses because of their added comfort and convenience, glasses still prevailed. Contact wearers seemed to favor soft lenses over the hard.

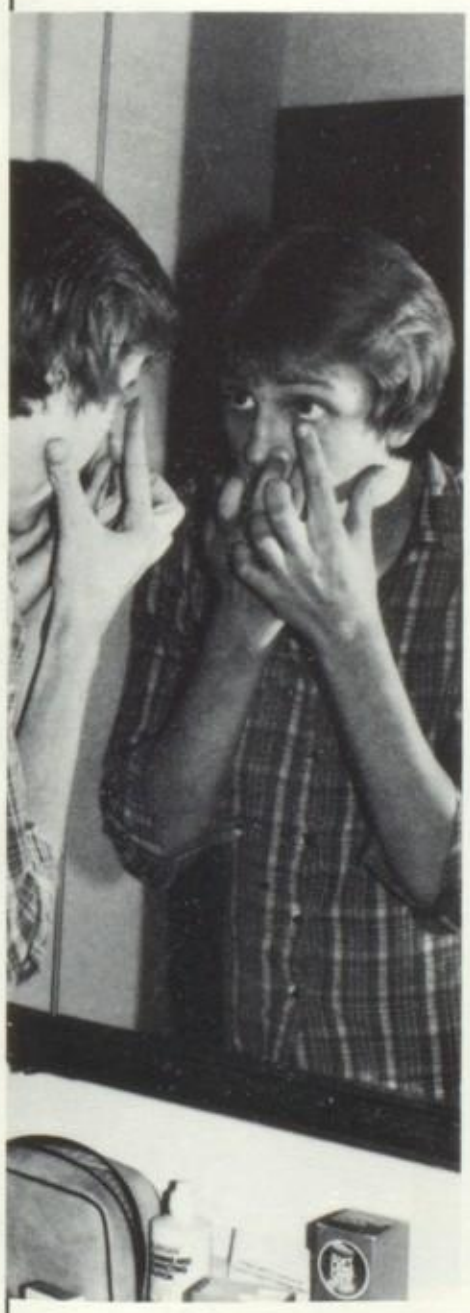


Using a steady finger, senior Bob Weh concentrates to place his soft contact on target. Many soft contact wearers preferred the easy insertion of soft lenses.

Before a basketball game, Kris Jahnke rinses her contacts before putting them in. Many students chose contacts over glasses because of their added convenience.

Still preferring conventional glasses, Kevin Bigelow, Gary Fehr, and Tim Allen prove that glasses continue to dominate the halls of FHS.





Getting ready for school, junior Bill Merrick inserts his soft contacts. Before putting them in his eyes, Bill washed and rinsed them in a special solution.

Deciding whether to purchase Bausch and Lomb or Barnes-Hinde solution for his contacts, senior Jim Purucker looks over the many selections at the The Pharmacy.

Nervously observing fellow contestants performing their required routines at try-outs, cheerleader hopefuls secretly wish for a coveted position on a squad.

Concentrating on an Algebra II test, Mike Nysather puts his total effort into getting a good grade. Tests such as this prepared students for college competition.

Reaching for the top

Competition pushes students to achieve in sports and school

Competition . . . the thrill of victory . . . the anguish of defeat. Competition in various disguises stalked the halls of FHS. This ranged from starting position on the varsity basketball team to winning a valuable scholarship, from securing a lead role in the all-school play to being selected to reign over Homecoming.

Dixie Hupke defined competition as, "A battle with others and striving to be the best." Girls' volleyball coach Miss Bev Killian regarded competition as a challenge. "There are two types of competition: Within yourself, and as a part of an athletic team."

Job competition also concerned students. The decreasing economic conditions forced high school students to seek part time employment. Junior Amy Gore complained, "These days there aren't many jobs available for a high school student, especially in Fort Atkinson."

Competition for popularity also filled the minds of many students. Some students established popularity as a priority in their lives. Girls often competed for a date to one of the dances, while the boys secretly hoped someone would ask them to Redskins.

Competition also dealt with students owning fashionable wardrobes. Students, both girls and guys, wearing docksider shoes, designer jeans, and "gator" shirts netted the reputation of being dressed in the most current popular styles.

Scholastic achievements such as membership in NHS, a citation by the National Merit Board, or winning the coveted Joe Davies or Bingham scholarships dominated the minds of many seniors as they made post-graduation plans.

Six seniors ranked in the top ½ of 1% of the 50,000 students who took the PSAT/NMSQT. Semi-finalists included Randy Johnson, Don Schantz, and Lavina Payson. Letters of commendation went to Mike Manley, Heidi Henning, and Katy Breitsprecher.

Studying for exams, unit tests and quizzes led to another aspect of competition. Students earning a 3.5 grade point average per semester or better established their name on the honors list.

Honors recipient Sally Zentner summarized, "I think that competition for your grades is just as important as competition in a sport." Sophomore Amy Erickson agreed, but added, "Grades are important, but other things like sports and school clubs are too."

Students who really enjoyed the sensation of winning and could deal with losing got involved in athletic events. Many claimed that psyching up in preparation for each game seemed necessary for giving their best performance.

Competition swept throughout the halls of FHS. Many openly and readily accepted the challenges it brought, involving themselves in many competitive activities ranging from Prom court, to starting center of the basketball team, to having their name on the honors list.

Cheering on her teammates during the conference relays, sophomore swimmer Linda Abendroth shouts encouraging words as Laurie Jung and Gina Schroeder look on.

Cross country runner Pete Baio passes a runner and eyes up the distance between himself and the finish line. He went on to place sixth at the Mukwonago meet.

Competing fiercely, ten construction workers and ten FHS male students battle during the tug-of-war. The workers eventually pulled away a victory.

Through thick and thin

Dieting craze strikes students; yogurt replaces Snickers

Candy bars, doughnuts, pizza, and munchies from the vending machines: foods FHS students thrived on. But many avoided these treats as diets took priority. Instead, students turned to foods such as yogurt, cottage cheese, or fruit to satisfy their hunger.

Jogging, calesthenics, lifting weights, and even Phy-Ed helped students stick with their diets. Almost all of the students that went on diets claimed that exercise became an essential part of healthy dieting. Athletics also aided students in keeping fit.

FHS students experimented with a variety of different fad diets. The Scarsdale Diet, The Beverly Hills Diet and chemical diets all played a part in students' eating habits. Other students admitted to not eating, or eating nothing but grapefruit before all their meals.

"I lost eight pounds on a chemical diet, but when I went off, I gained it all back," commented junior Lisa Schantz. Most doctors and researchers agree that fad diets seem unhealthy for kids.

One popular method of dieting consisted of simply skipping meals. Though the pounds crept back as students rewarded themselves with scrumptuous foods, dieters chose to return to the feeling of psychological satisfaction.

TV ads of beautiful models brought on an obsession with being thin. "I feel that because of the ways of society, many people diet that don't need to!" surmised Patti Wanie. Some girls went to extremes of binge eating and starving themselves to stay thin.

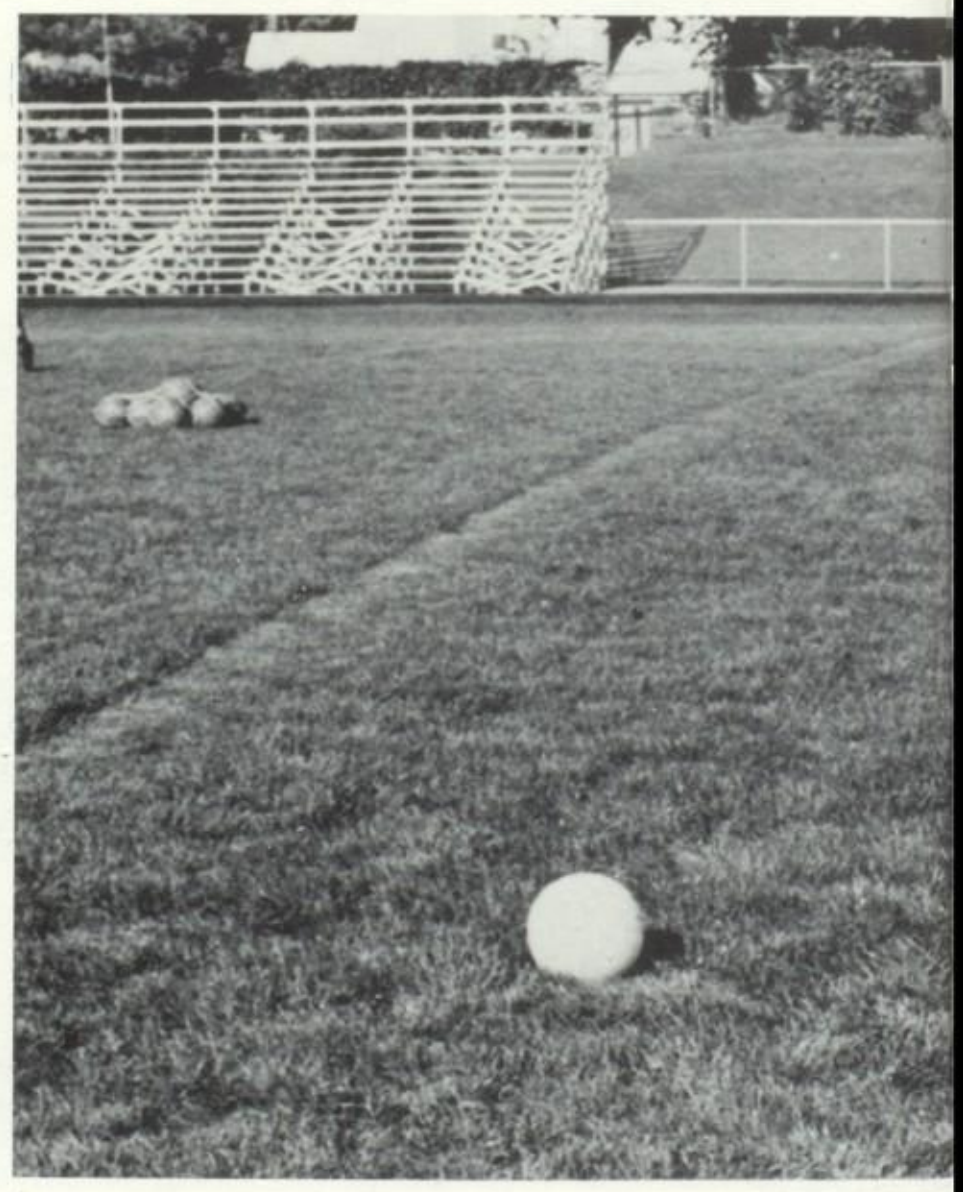
A *Tchogeerrah* survey among FHS students indicated that one of every five students polled had been on a diet this year. The percentage among girls proved much higher than that of the guys. The average weight loss reported ranged from five to ten pounds.

Although the dieting rate seemed high, 74% of the students polled considered themselves at an average weight, 20% felt overweight and 6% considered themselves under weight. One senior who considered himself average previously dieted and lost twenty pounds.

Girls dieting throughout the year strived for the "perfect" figure. But many boys disagreed with these views. "Most girls do not need to lose the weight they claim to. Most of them are thin enough," commented Frank Weiss.

Even though many students spent some of the school year on a diet, everyone enjoyed McDonald's hamburgers or a sundae at DQ at one time or another. For those who didn't, the pains of dieting almost always paid off in the end when they stepped on the scale.

At the French Club dinner held at Le Bistro, Erika Niemeier decides to splurge on a sundae made with strawberries, whipped cream and other treats.



During Phy. Ed, Laura Geller brushes up on soccer and also gets some exercise. Many students' Phy. Ed period became their only chance to exercise.

On a Sunday afternoon, Kim Austin takes time out from her regular weekend activities to jog. Jogging became a very popular method of exercising for students.

As Scott Dahlgren decides on a chocolate brownie, Colly Marquart contemplates whether or not to complete her lunch with a calorie-filled treat for dessert.

After a successful job interview at First American Bank, Executive Vice-President Dave Bienfang congratulates Sheryl Meske for getting the job as a teller.

Before an upcoming job interview, with Wand Corporation, senior Ruth Lansing asks Mrs. Flood to make sure she used the correct typing format for her resumé.

Handling the first step

Students sweat out first job interviews with much nervousness

Did you get stomach butterflies before your first job interview? Did unusual things happen before and during your first job interview? Almost 2% of the 50% of students who experienced job interviews found they felt nervous before their first interview.

Some students found unusual conditions during their first job interview. Rod Bell, a junior, had one such experience while interviewing for a job at Salomone's Pizza as a delivery boy. The interview progressed while Rod consumed the interviewer's product.

Senior Jackie Jansen found it hard on her first interview. Jackie commented, "One of the interviewers was my mother and we had to act like strangers." On the way to his first job interview, Jim Glass's car got a flat tire.

Job requiring interviews ranged from smaller jobs such as being a paper boy to part-time employment at local stores. Many students interviewed for jobs that showed their physical ability such as giving swimming lessons and coaching soccer during summer vacation.

Over half of the junior and senior classes experienced their first job interviews during their sophomore year. Boys experienced their first job interview at the age of 16 or younger. The majority of girls experienced their first interview at the age of 16.

Five percent of the jobs interviewed for involved restaurant work. Nine percent included various retail employment ranging from clerk work to shelf stocking to bag packing and grocery carry-out.

Students experienced various embarrassing happenings such as forgetting the interviewer's name or getting to work at the incorrect time on the very first day. Some teenagers considered themselves fortunate to get the job after a disappointing interview.

Students not only offered their physical talents, but they also offered their knowledge to help the local businesses. Students interviewed for jobs such as being a dietary aide, at the Fort Memorial Hospital doing secretarial work and even electronic work.

Some students interviewed for jobs that helped the city of Fort Atkinson but did not require previous knowledge or job experience. Students interviewed for various types of jobs for the city such as construction work and helping the Park and Recreation Department clean up the city.

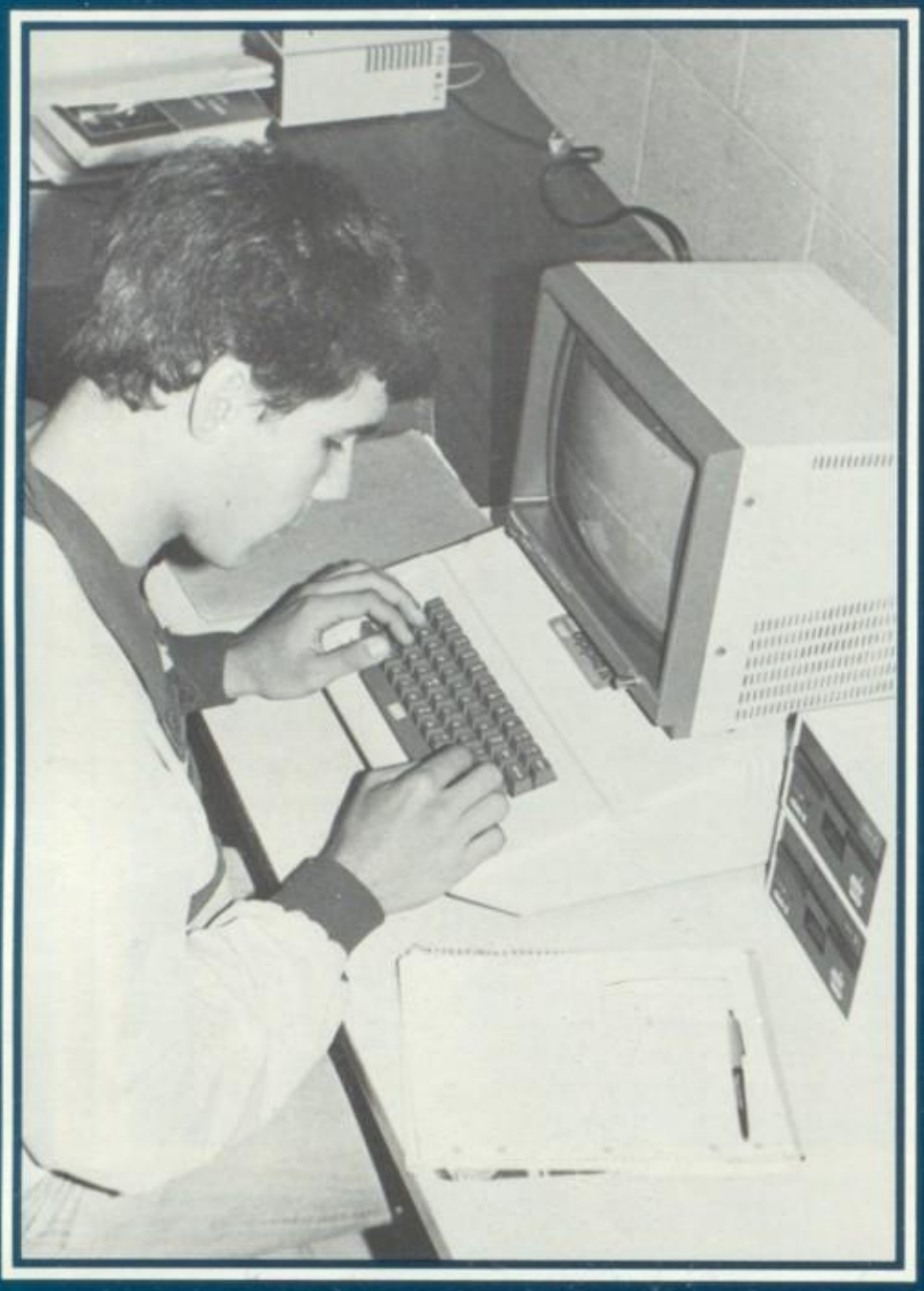
During a difficult economic time, many students found themselves without a job. Students put in applications, hoping to be accepted or get a job interview. Even though students faced the tenseness of an interview, they felt better knowing they had a chance to earn their own money and become self supporting..

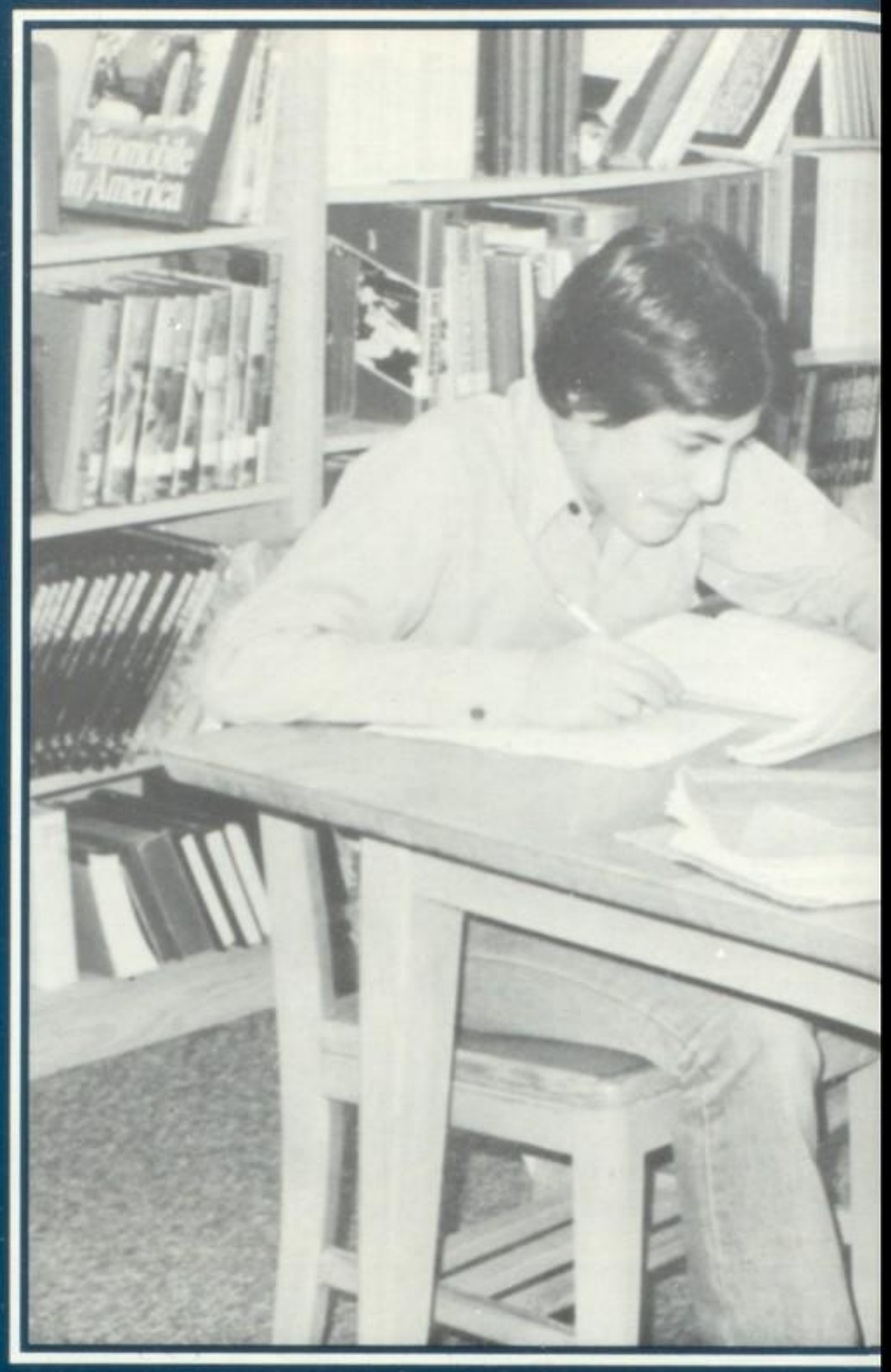
While babysitting for Mr. and Mrs. Gail Roub's children, senior Katie Breitsprecher visits Barrie Park. Babysitting proved a common money-maker.

During some free time in a study hall, Julie Belzer types out a practice resume to find errors before preparing a final copy for a job interview in the future.

As an addition to the math department, the school purchased four new computers. Practicing on the new Apple II, Brian Abendroth types in a conversion program.

During his studyhall, Rod Bell works on an Organic Chemistry worksheet. Academic pressure forced students to use freetime to concentrate on tests and homework.





Attempting to understand the **Taming of the Shrew** more thoroughly, Tammy Haynes, Sandy Jones, Sue Ketter, and Karl Patzer act out a scene from the play.

Lining up to collect the seven page Imperialism exam, Sue Ketter, Roger Uhe, and Julie Summerfeldt prepare to take one of Mr. Strey's American Issues tests.

Taking Art as an elective class, Shari Schneider files her half-finished bracelet during a jewelry unit. Other students designed rings, necklaces, and earrings.

Academics

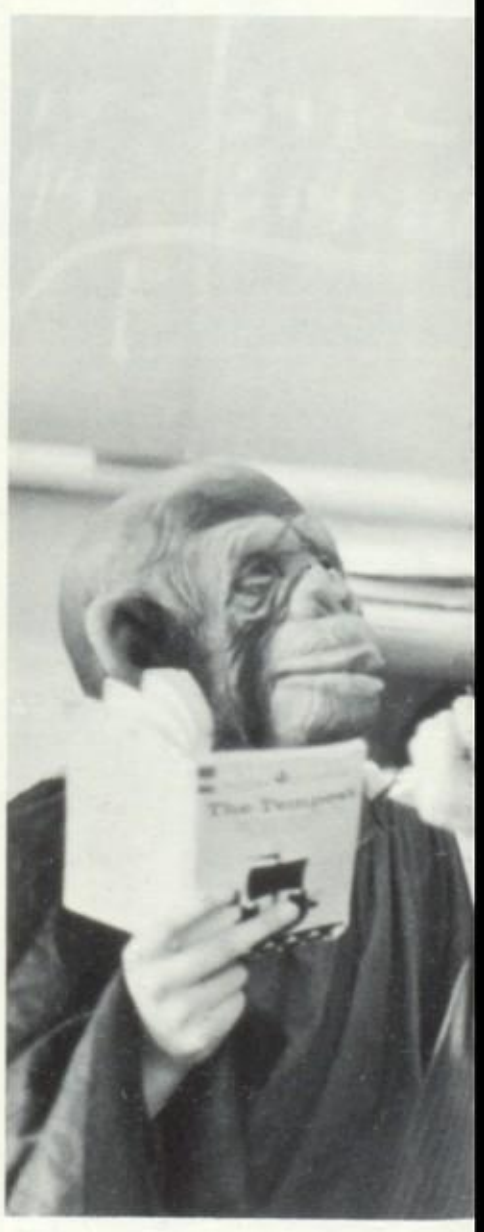
. . . part of the package

Engulfed by the sights and sounds of the construction, students came to accept the chaos as they settled into the academic routine. Sophomores began high school with impromptu speeches, Unipacs in English and behind-the-wheel driving. Juniors saw their tougher classloads as part of their academic package, along with a larger choice of electives. Seniors prepared for college or jobs with electives from Foods to Analysis. And as students began to refocus their attention on school work after a long vacation, physical education classes stressed aerobic fitness with jogging. Even fire drills, which interrupted classes and routed some students down a wooden fire escape, became a temporary part of the academic package.

Accounting student Lauri Jung prepares a balance sheet in her Century 21 workbook. Business classes taught students basic skills to help them after graduation.

Coinciding with *A Tale of Two Cities*, Trianna Wulfkuhle, Lisa Schantz, Erika Niemeier, and Margaret Martin complete their English project, "Flashlight Fued."

During the Senior Awards ceremony, Editor of the *Signal* Sandee Horn, awards Randy Johnson the plaque naming him the "Most Valuable Staffer" of 1982.



Proving their performing abilities, Anne Jazdzewski and Meg Amundson, impersonating Calibar, concentrate on a scene from *The Tempest* by William Shakespeare.

English Dept. adopts Proviso reading system

Carlson abolishes book reviews; English 10 classes get new books

FHS curriculum in the English and Speech Department broadened with the addition of two new courses. Mr. Paul Babcock taught the new course English/Reading, while Mr. Phillips Schubert taught the new Speech/Reading course.

Adopted from the Proviso Township Reading program in Maywood, Illinois, the courses enabled the average student with reading difficulties to achieve more growth and concentration than the regular English classes offered.

As its most important point, the English/Reading course stressed vocabulary and spelling of words. "In many ways, the class is challenging but easy," commented sophomore Sandie Carmichael. Variety in teaching techniques included magazines and textbooks.

English 10 classes helped add to the experience of students by choosing new textbooks. The new Heritage edition of Adventures in Appreciation offered a wide variety of literature ranging from Shakespeare to Greek plays to modern short stories to poems.

"Little ideas and changes are automatically a part of any teacher's presentations," voiced Mrs. Conny Carlson in reference to techniques initiated in her courses. In her Am. Lit. classes, she omitted book reviews due to student pressure.

Mrs. Jan Kohls' English 10H classes participated in projects dealing with the "Shakespeare Plays" produced by the BBC. The four units allowed students to read, discuss and view "Twelfth Night," "The Tempest," "Taming of the Shrew," and "Othello."

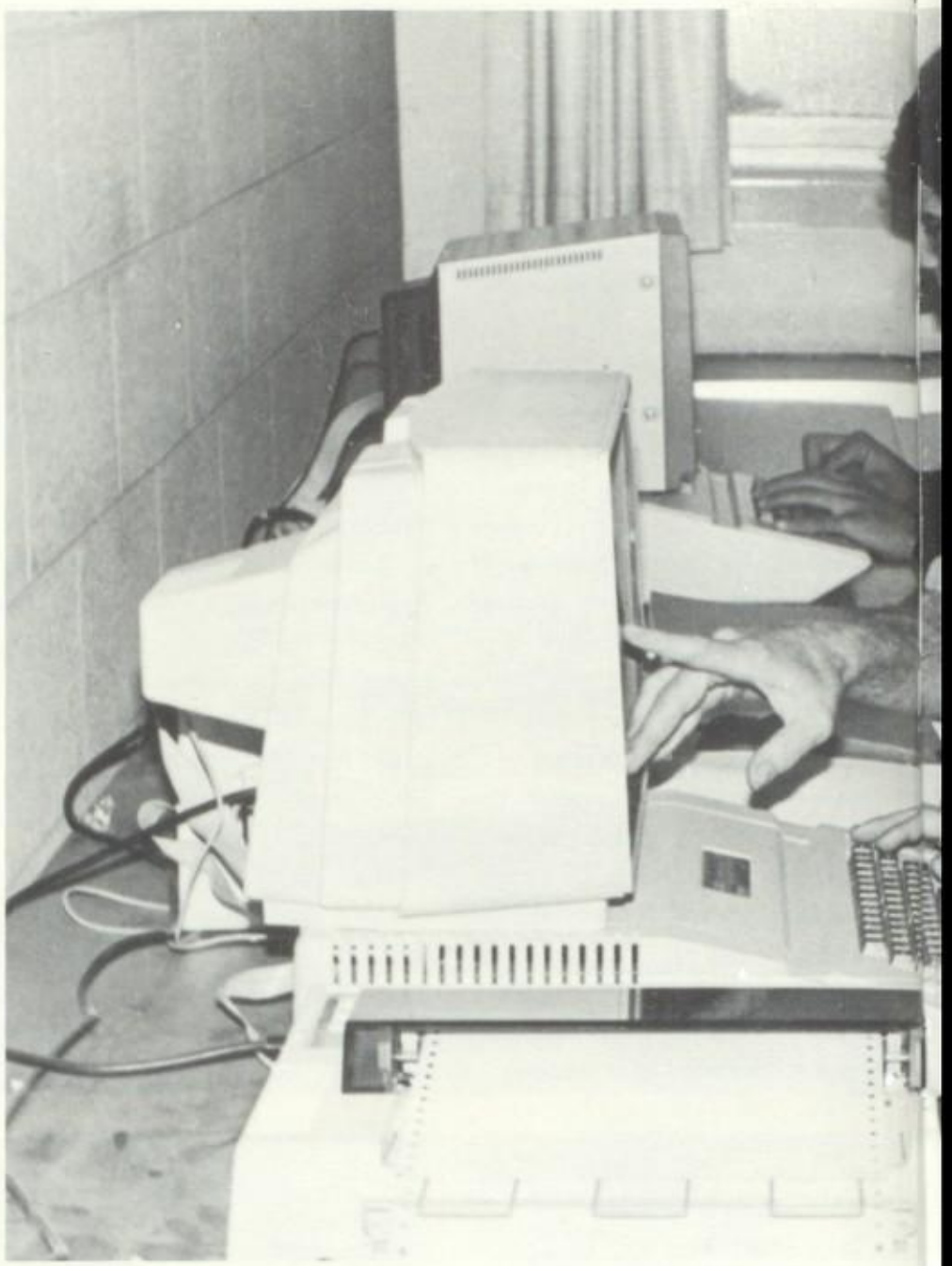
"The Mark," the high school literary magazine, recognized outstanding writings, enabling many students to have their best poems, short stories and essays printed. English teachers submitted the work, mainly from Composition and Advanced Composition.

Each student entry underwent evaluation by a panel of five. The group of judges included a community representative, editor of the *Signal*, the adviser of the "The Mark," Mr. Robert Moore, one FHS English teacher and one senior English student.

Sampling a food completed for an English 10H project during the Elizabethan unit, Scott Dahlgren decides whether he likes the cake and punch.

While emphasizing a point on the hunting procedures of ancient man, Mr. Gail Roub uses dramatics during his Ancient and Medieval History class, first hour.

While Brian Abendroth works on a programming assignment, Mr. Bob Noll clears up Rick Dexter's confusion concerning a computer problem during their study hall.



Video games arouse fascination with computers

Rising opportunities in the computer field attract FHS students

"The popularity of computer games has caused students to be fascinated by the computer," exclaimed Mr. Bob Noll, teacher of Computer Programming. Noll reasoned this caused the 58% increase in the enrollment of students in the programming course.

In contradiction to Mr. Noll's belief, students associated the increase with the rising number of opportunities for people skilled in the field of computers. As Lisa Olson explained, "Computers are the future of the world."

In recommending students to the course, Mr. Noll stressed, "Computer Programming takes a great deal of problem solving ability," and only students possessing this ability should be recommended to take Computer Programming.

In the Social Studies Department, AFS students, Astri Soebodro from Indonesia and Gianni Frittoli, from Italy, entertained Mr. James Strey's American Issues and U.S. History classes with slides from their home countries.

Mr. Elwood Carlson's technique of applying Sociology aspects through student participation in skits or experiments created an interesting mood in the classroom. As Tracy Shuman stated, "Skits provide an interesting way of learning and understanding ideas."

Current issues in Wisconsin's Legislature and campaigning highlighted State Senator Barbara Lorman's talk to Mr. Don Piper's third period Government class. This allowed students to understand the lessons studied in the class.

In addition to Senator Lorman, Mr. Piper scheduled another speaker. Mr. Al Haller, a Nasco employee, spoke to Piper's second period Comparative Government class. His speech gave a comparison of Eastern and Western Europe.

His trips to Eastern and Western Europe made Mr. Haller the ideal speaker for the Comparative Government course. Mr. Don Piper described Mr. Haller as, "A very fine and resourceful person."

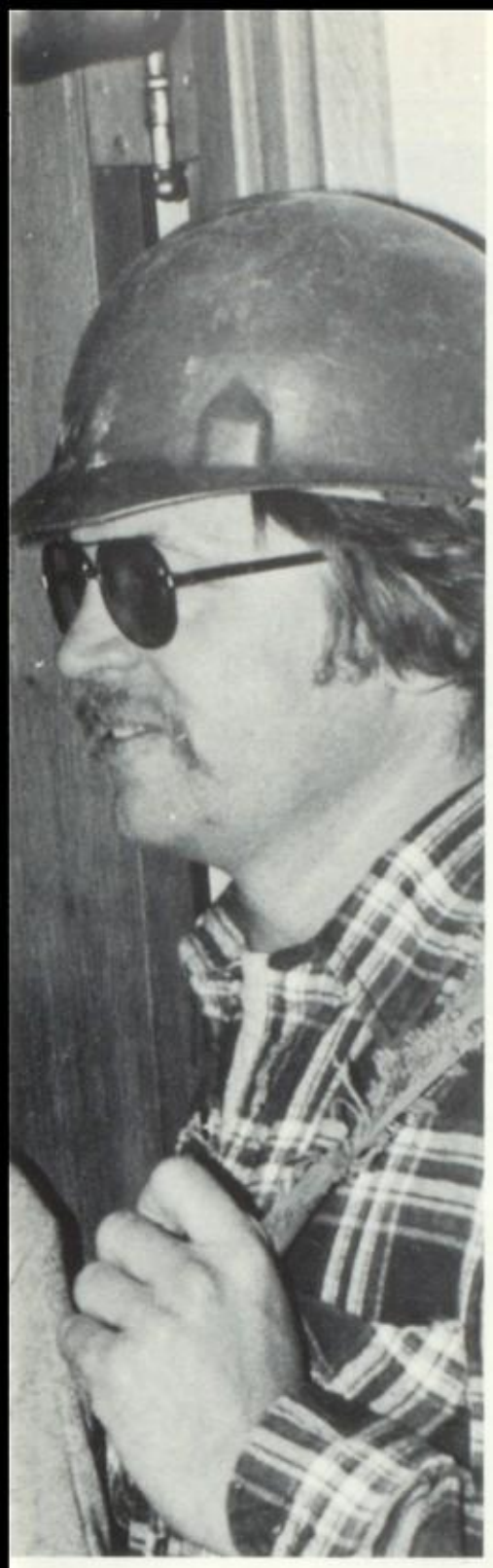
Signing their marriage licenses, Chris Teipner and Lisa Olson participate in a role-play marriage ceremony for Mr. Elwood Carlson's first hour Sociology class.

After talking about campaigning and current issues to Mr. Don Piper's third period government class, Senator Barbara Lorman answers questions.

Developing his volleyball skills by practicing returning the ball, junior Roger Anderson uses a bump technique which will later become a useful asset in games.

Senior Sue Feller makes her way out of the girls locker room as a construction worker waits for everyone to leave in order to finish electrical work.

Foreign students Hans Tillander and Gianni Frittoli take a time out from phy-ed class to relax in the sun and observe the activities of their classmates.



Sophomore Scott Engstrom plays tight defense as senior Greg Gaber shoots a jump shot over him in an attempt to put his team ahead during a game fifth hour.

Using up her last ounce of energy, senior Lisa Olson runs the forty yard dash on the football field as part of the skills test required for the soccer unit.

Physical education undergoes reassessment

"This year the physical education department reevaluated its curriculum to better meet the needs of the student." So spoke Phy-Ed teacher Mr. Glen Borland. Mr. Borland blamed declining enrollment, limited space and fewer teachers for the reassessment.

After losing Mr. Don Gruber to the Social Studies Department, only two teachers taught classes, thus limiting the students' choices of units. Senior Pat O'Donnell commented, "For most units we never even get a choice. It's like being a sophomore again."

New physical education stations on the Probst Property played an integral part in gym classes. Students used two new baseball/softball diamonds, a soccer field and a football field, installed over the summer, extensively.

Used as a replacement for outdoor activities once held on the football field, the new physical education areas provided room for two classes each hour. Mr. Borland disclosed that in the future, tennis courts may be built near the football field.

Little space for classes resulted due to construction, sending several units outdoors or off campus. Some people opted to take bowling at Arcadia Lanes or roller-skating at Skate Capitol. Work on the pool cancelled all first semester swimming units.

At the beginning and end of outdoor units, teachers required students to participate in a twelve minute run. Instructors included the running in hopes of strengthening students' hearts.

Construction work and declining enrollment listed as major causes

The choice is yours

Business, foreign language electives tally high on survey

They ranged from Auto Mechanics, Child Development, and Secretarial Office Practice to Graphics Art, R.J. Singers, and Horticulture. This wide variety of elective classes offered incorporated wisdom and growth to participants.

"Knowing that you can make a big decision as important as what class to take makes students respect, enjoy, and learn more in their class," voiced senior Jane Quill, confirming her support of elective classes.

Choosing classes of interest besides required ones proved popular among high school students. A *Tchogeerrah* poll indicated that most of the 200 students questioned liked the elective classes they chose. 65% found their choices worthwhile.

Of the students polled, 68% claimed they enrolled in one to three electives a semester. The greatest percentage came from the senior class where 58% of the males polled attend four to five classes of their choice.

Thinking of future plans encouraged the majority to select certain classes. "With a year of Shorthand, I can advance in secretarial work," remarked Sue Zick. Seven percent of the students felt Guidance Counselors influenced their final decisions.

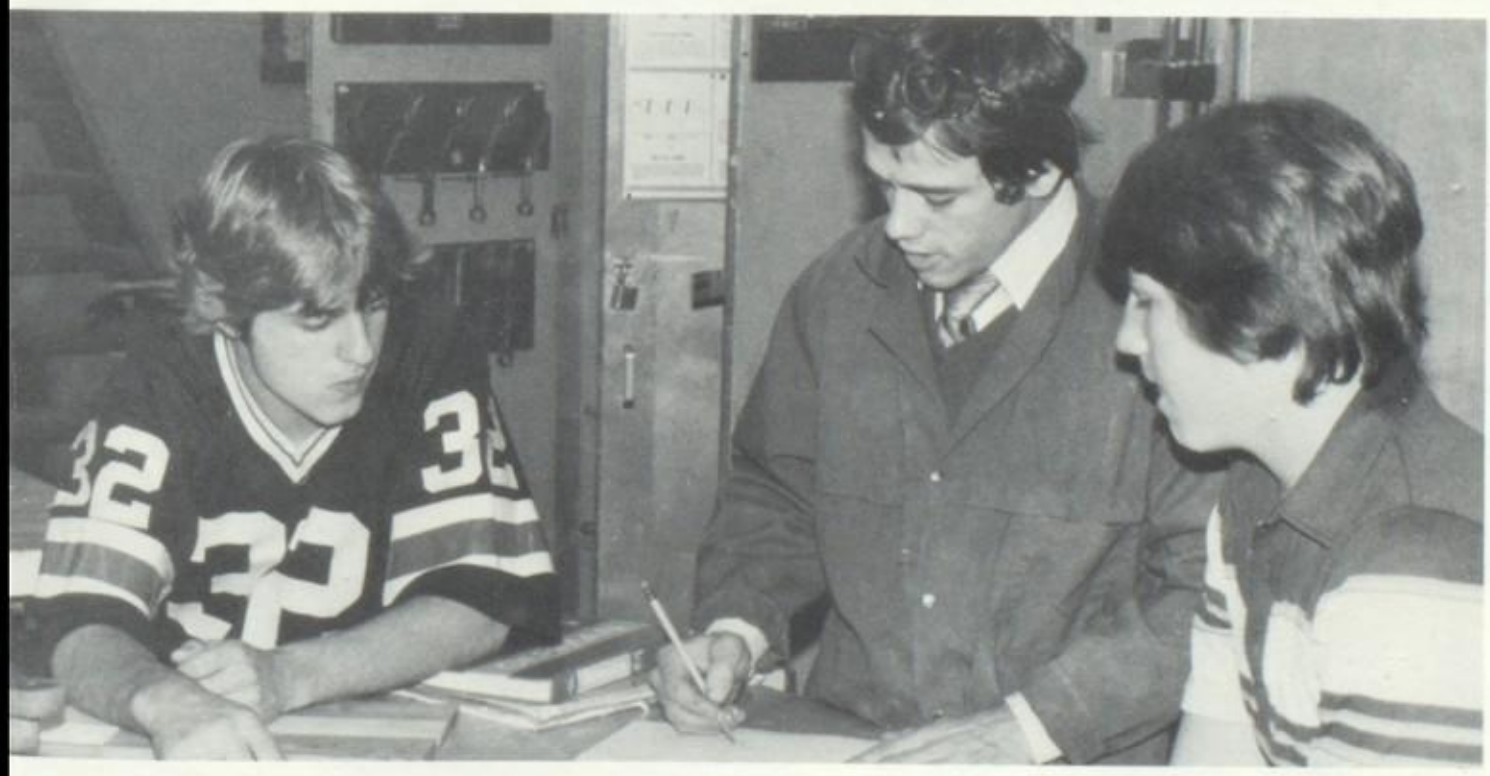
FHS students responded negatively when asked if they ever dropped any elective class. However, exceptions existed. "I had to drop one elective class because of my after school job," admitted junior Beth Mueller.

Courses most often requested by students as additions to the already offered electives, largely included photography, and broadcasting. Others suggested electives like Irish, astronomy, and small engine repairs, implying a desire for uncommon classes.

"I enjoy being able to work on my own and at my own speed," explained Jenny Jones as her reasons for choosing Independent Studies. Independent Studies provided students with the individual help lacking in normal classrooms.

During a French III class Pam Pofahl listens to Madame Durette explain the details of a trip to France.

During Independent Studies, Jenny Jones injects hormones into a frog for an Advanced Biology experiment..



Discussing elective classes for his senior year, Steve Darner and Mr. William Kohls consider the choice of Chemistry as an extra science credit.

Listening to Mr. James Heckenkamp, Wood Survey teacher, sophomores Steve Bakken and Rob Welter learn the method of finding the amount of board feet of lumber.

For their first project in Clothing I, Holly Heussner measures the length of Tammy Hopp's arm in preparation for purchasing the correct size pattern.

Partners in Foods I class, senior Earl Lehman pours a little water as junior Lisa Buckingham beats the dough mixture while completing a homemade bread lab.

While trying to concentrate on their work in Secretarial Office Practice, seniors Peggy Sykes and Sue Kostichka ignore the repair man fixing an IBM typewriter.

Clothing II classes offer tailoring projects.

Business Ed. adopts new Shorthand system; class enrollment rises

Stereotyping depicted Home Ec. classes vastly different from reality. Many thought the classes offered baking cookies and sewing shirts. Actually, students learned about responsibility, growth, discipline, and patience.

With the loss of Tailoring class, the Home Ec. Department adjusted by adding new projects to Clothing II. "With a class like Clothing II offering such projects as making a lined blazer, I feel the class was well worth it," remarked junior Shelly Eighmy.

Interest in Shorthand classes rose as FHS taught three beginning classes and one advanced group. In the fall of '82, the Business Department spent $1200 for fifty sets of textbooks for a new system in the Shorthand I classes.

"This newly revised system has simplified the learning and teaching of Gregg Shorthand, and to this date, has been very successful," explained Mrs. Harriet Flood. Shorthand I classes converted to the Series 90 method.

Accounting classes acquired new learning techniques by Mr. Bill Simon. Mr. Simon displayed numerous proverbs on the back bulletin boards and throughout the room. Senior Chris Braman emphasized, "They add to the class and are inventive aids to teaching."

In march, 1982 typing instructor Mrs. Pat Mitchell had a tragic car accident. After missing the last quarter of the year and the first semester of the 1982-83 year., she returned to resume teaching for second semester.

Repairing and maintaining the 50 Business Ed. typewriters became an expensive venture for the school. The IBM repairmen charged $68 per hour while Olympia workers earned $30 for each hourly visit. The school paid approximately $400 each year for repairs.

Because of the departure of Mrs. Barb Kuehl, the Home Economics Department welcomed Mrs. Valerie Staudacher as the teacher of Child Development, Personal Family Development, Foods I and Foods II.

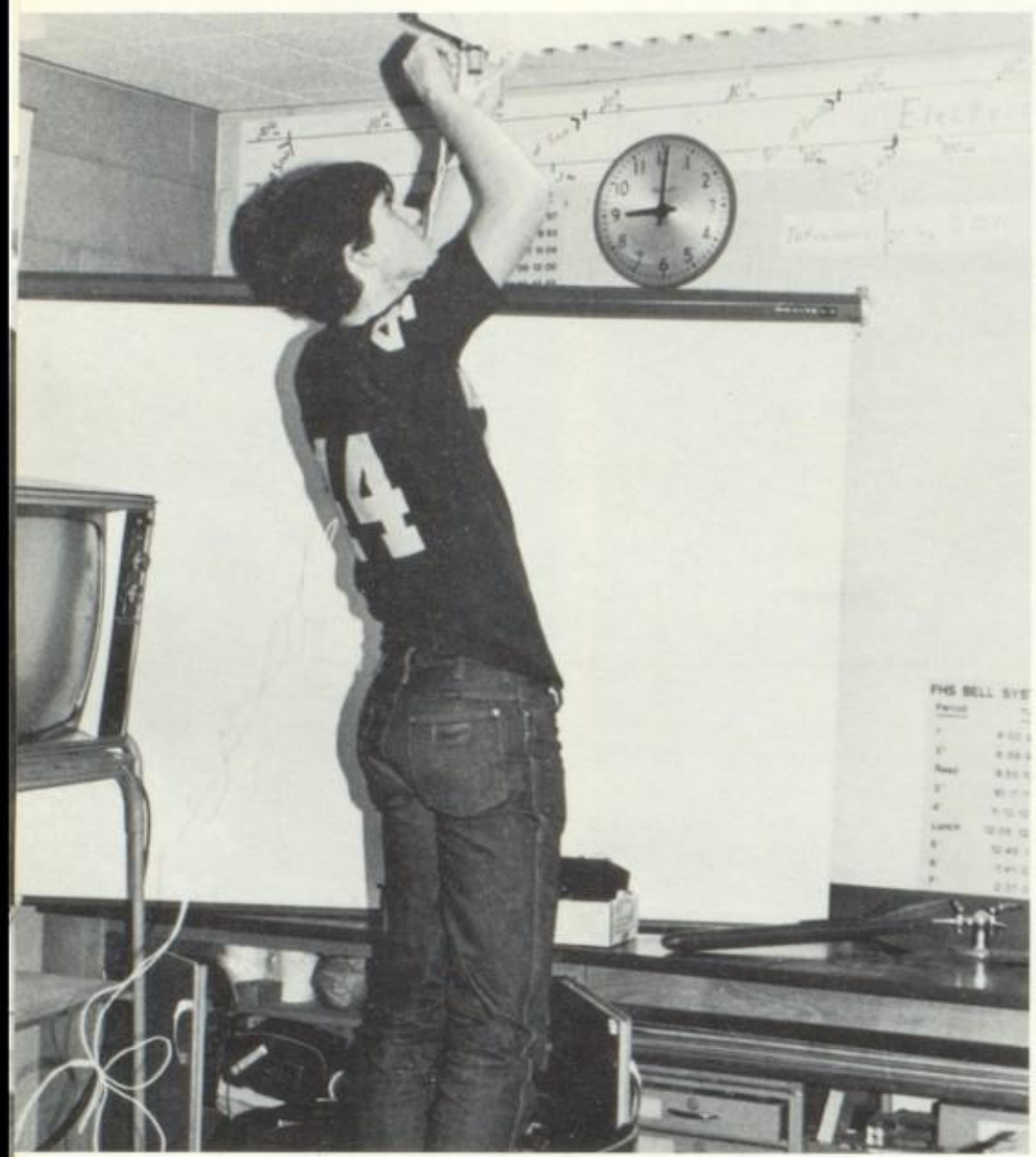
Child Development classes toured the Maternity Ward of the Fort Hospital on October 6. Head Nurse of Pediatrics, Barb Lee led students through the delivery room, birthing room, and nursery. "This class gives me an excited feeling about motherhood," stated junior Lesli Siegel.

Concentrating on Lesson 9, Denise Lescohier exceeds her previous timed score. Typing I and Personal Typing became popular elective choices for underclassmen.

Contemplating how many yards to purchase, Sondra Matson selects a fabric for her first project in Clothing I class with the help of a clerk at Ben Franklin.

Helping Mr. Paul Raasoch set up an experiment used to test gravitational acceleration in his Physics class, Mike Manley hangs a monkey from a light fixture.

Upon returning to school after a day of absence due to illness, Wendy Black receives a cheerful, french-style greeting from instructor, Mrs. Catherine Durette.



Language articulation

earns consideration;

Raasoch alters classes

Spanish teacher enters Language department

New ideas, new teaching techniques, and a new face replaced FHS's former Spanish teacher, Mrs. Audrey Gatz. The new Spanish teacher, Mrs. Cheryl Piper, observed, "The students make teaching Spanish worthwhile."

Being new, Mrs. Piper faced a problem which most foreign language teachers encounter; the problem of finding an effective device to improve pronunciation. After careful thought, Mrs. Piper selected the reading of dialogues.

"Dialogues are a big help in word pronunciation," acknowledged Tammy Hopp, a first year Spanish student. Her appreciation of the use of dialogues expressed that of many students in Spanish.

Mrs. Piper used dialogues, but French teacher, Mrs. Catharine Durette, felt the most beneficial method of teaching included repetition of words and phrases, which increased pronunciation and knowledge of the French language.

Honors Chemistry Classes, under the instruction of Mr. Robert LaHann, required students to apply both math and science skills in the solving of scientific equations, "Although it is a hard course, I enjoy it and am learning from it," admitted Todd Jansen.

As a result of a change in Mr. Paul Raasoch's schedule, students had to drop or alter their fourth hour Physical Science class to first hour. "At first, the change was a hassle, but I am adjusted now," remarked Mary Schroeder.

Class experiments highlighted Raasoch's Physics classes. Some included spinning bicycle tires to find vectors in rotating objects and shooting monkeys to show gravitational acceleration.

Relieving the dullness of note taking, Mr. John Kempf applied labs to his class routine. Explaining this, Kempf stated, "Labs are used to reinforce the content presented in the lectures."

Dealing with a conversation between two prehistoric men, Kate Garrett and Diane Derleth read their original Spanish dialogues for their fourth period class.

Focusing in on a specimen of spirogyra, Wendall Beckard works on a biology lab for his teacher, Mr. Carl Zentner, as his partner, Dan Nelson waits for his turn.

Library introduces reference skills program

AV buys new equipment

with funds available;

Library spends $6,000

"With the limited resources that are available in our school district, keeping up with technological changes proves difficult," emphasized Mr. John Erickson, District AV director. With the funds available, the department purchased a new film projector and a new television set.

Future expectations of the Audio Visual Department included the combining of the library and AV as one big area. Individual plans for AV involved creating a separate studio in which video tapes could be created for classes.

Within the library, the addition of a new teaching technique familiarized sophomore students with reference materials. Required of all English 10 classes, the Research Skills the ten-lesson units ran for a 15-week period during the first semester.

Each library skills unit introduced sources to the students. Such units included finding information on a given topic from such sources as **Taylor's Encyclopedia of Government Officials, Webster's American Biographies,** and **Stateman's Yearbook** and the **World Almanac.**

Peer instruction enabled students to work individually. "Through the repetition of helping others and completing their work, students view and review their assignments, which in turn teaches them more thoroughly," observed Mrs. Margaret Birk, head librarian.

On new materials, the library spent $6,000 for continuous additions of new books and magazines. Non-print items purchased included the popular micro-fiche viewer, a device which stored a year's magazines on one 3x5 card. More equipment would be added next year.

Preparing for the weekend, Sandy Jones rewrites an essay for comp class. Students escaped to the library during the noon hour to complete their homework.

During study hall, Fred Walling sorts through the library card catalog in search of reference materials used to complete his research skills for English class.

As an independent studies student in the library, Bill Haney stamps due dates on library cards. He received one-half credit for his first semester's work.

Providing sophomore Lisa Rupnow with a tape and recorder for her Shakespearean project, Mrs. Mary Lou Donkle explains the procedures for using AV material.

During his sixth hour driver education class, instructor Mr. Monahan demonstrates to his sophomore class how to use the ten to nine braking method on icy roads.

After being signed for driving, Jane Glass inspects the various controls on the driving simulator, as instructor Mr. Monahan explains the next film.

Special education teacher Mr. Benjamin Gomez, doubling as the chess club coach, watches several members of the club patiently, while waiting for their next move.

Special Ed., Drivers Ed. re-locate to Emery

Understanding, patience, and caring went into the instruction of the mentally handicapped students. Special education teachers met requirements necessary for bettering the abilities, attitudes, and skills of their students.

Special Ed. helped students who experienced learning disabilities or emotional problems. Instructors also dealt with those classified as educable mentally retarded. This program contained adaptive physical education for some.

Trainably mentally retarded students ranged from 15 to 21 years old. Special education programs existed for students from age three to 21. Most students stayed in the TMR system until 21. Students came from all of Jefferson County, not just the Fort area.

Instructor Al Jason worked to establish a job system for educable mentally retarded students. They underwent vocational testing to determine appropriate work study placement in the community, based on their abilities. Opportunities, Inc. utilized the talents of some.

Anticipating the completion of the new school, Mr. Carty Monahan hoped for a permanent place for all of his possessions. He also looked forward to a 16-foot bulletin board. He stated, "I want to become part of the building."

"He is going to be a good teacher," claimed Monahan about his first semester student teacher, Mr. Doug Lounik from the University of Wisconsin, Whitewater. Lounik's attributes included good organization and class contribution.

Teacher requirements

help the handicapped;

Monahan praises Lounik

While dribbling the soccer ball down the field, Jackie Puente attempts to keep possession of the ball and score by dodging defensive classmate, Jim Weiske.

Offering her assisatnce and skills, Dawn Seaman helps the hot lunch program by serving applesauce to students entering the lunch line during the noon hour.

Art and music classes adjust to construction

Artists lose studios;

Ravnan joins orchestra;

Ryan plans May revue

"We were under such poor conditions in the old section that we've adjusted to the construction," remarked Mr. Robert Hase. Other Art and Music teachers agreed with his comment.

Coping with the relocation of several studios, art students painted in basement supply rooms. Instructor Hase looked forward to the new school and boasted, "For a school of our size we're going to have one of the best art departments in Southern Wisconsin."

Increasing enrollment of district orchestras occupied Ms. Ellen Ravnan's first year as orchestra director. The six-member high school group accompanied Ravnan by performing for grade schools, in hope of recruiting musicians.

"It's fun working with six kids. They're all enthusiastic and talented," remarked Ravnan. She claimed, however, that she would prefer to direct a large orchestra for more variety. "We're more a chamber music group than an orchestra," she summarized.

RJ Singers entertained local groups throughout the year. Program committees for the Rotary Club, Association of Retired Persons and Trinity Lutheran Church Seniors Citizens Club scheduled shows. The clubs often donated money to the singers.

Choir director Tom Ryan announced plans for a musical revue in May. "It would be a variety show of singing and dancing," he explained. Ryan planned to open auditions to the entire school.

Lower enrollment hit the band as the smallest group of sophomores in 25 years entered FHS. A large number of seniors left the band. "We lost talent and ability from people who would have helped the band and benefited themselves," said Director Grayson Babcock.

Proceeds from their magazine sale, candy sales and scrap paper drives brought the band closer to the amount needed for the band trip. Although undecided over the destination, Babcock confirmed that the band would travel during Easter vacation, 1984.

Warming up in the choir room before a performance, Paula Chiochios, Gaddy Penfield, Kris Brule and Trianna Wulfkuhle rehearse the song "Let the Sunshine In."

One of the orchestra's six members, Jill Kruyne, tunes her violin before joining fellow musicians in a rehearsal under the new direction of Ms. Ellen Ravnan.

After losing several art rooms in the 1911 building, Art I students Erik Ninnemenn, Glenda Nordness and Sandy Carmichael work on paintings in a storage room.

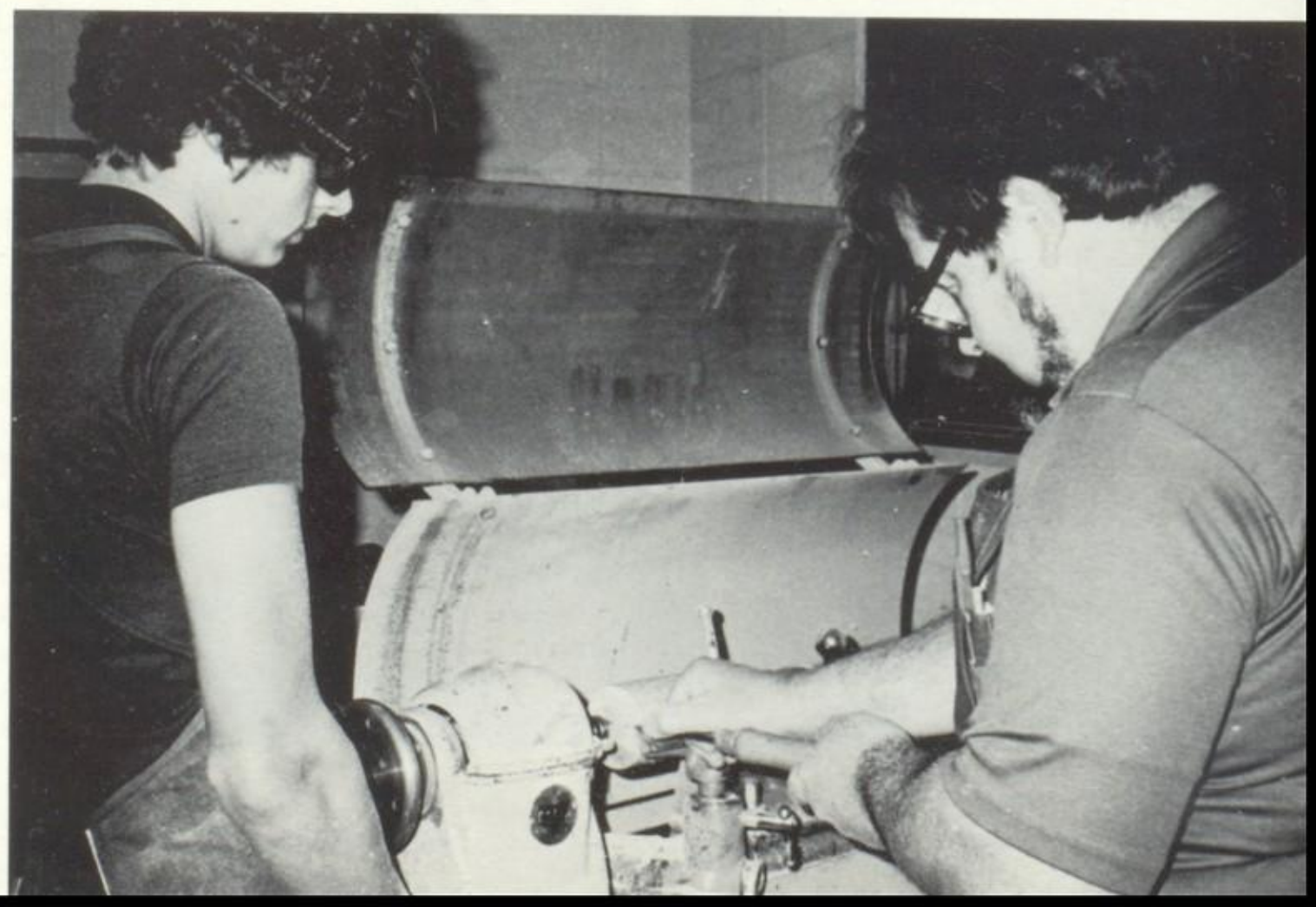
Hunched intently over his art project, junior Robert Rudell concentrates on the final details of his pencil sketch before turning it in for a final grade.

Preparing for the year's first performance, Nelda Adams removes her choir robe from its storage bag. The concert held its debut on October 26.

While working on a cabinet in Woodworking class, Kris Klemme adds some final touches with a sander. Students wore safety glasses while using some machinery.

Hammering on the plywood sides, junior Kevin Telfer constructs a calf hutch for agriculture. They made the calf hutches for resale to the local dairy farmers.

Helping Chip Fischer complete his project in Woodworking class, Mr. Robert Vincent offers guidance while demonstrating the operation of a lathe.



Industrial Arts, Ag. cope with light problems

Books aid Auto class; agriculture students set out bulbs at JFL

Coping with the inconveniences of reconstruction, the Industrial Arts and Agriculture departments replaced the standard flourescent light bulbs, and dealt with dust, noise and cool temperatures.

Adjustments to construction in Auto Mechanics forced Mr. Wayne Bahr to lecture primarily from books for the first semester. His lessons included labs over systems of the car. According to plans, lessons in the garage, under cars, occurred second semester.

New equipment purchased in the Auto Mechanics class featured a hoist, tire changer and a brake lathe. Bahr commented, "With these additions to the curriculum, I feel we have a highly condusive atmosphere for the students."

FHS electronics class added computer growth to the format. The new unit included techniques in building and rebuilding computers. Additions in equipment focused on computer testing devices and updated electronics machinery.

For a field trip, the Ag. department traveled to Amherst, Wisconsin, to attend Farm Progress Days. A team of four participated in the state soil contest, judging the amount of topsoil, subsoil and rock materials contained in the soil of farms near Amherst.

Agriculture students planted tulip bulbs in the courtyard of the junior high school during the month of October. Purchased by Mrs. Barbara Voight, the plants added to the growth of an education area offered to all students.

Overall, Industrial Arts and Ag. instructors recommended courses to the female student body. "I wish more girls would take shop classes; they're easy and worthwhile," claimed Cathy Schultz, an Electronics and Autos student.

While concentrating on a handle for a woodscrew clamp, Chris Gillette slices with a gouge as it spins on a wood lathe machine in Advanced Woodworking class.

During Horticulture I, Lynn Fleck concentrates on finishing her flower arrangement. Students used their projects as home centerpieces on Thanksgiving.

Concentrating on his next move, senior Bob Anderson watches as Steve Bernhardt captures a pawn. Chess club met after school under the direction of Mr. Gomez.

NHS adviser Mr. James Strey sets tables in preparation for the annual banquet held at the junior high. The dinner honored both new and graduating club members.

During a morning study hall period junior Redskins member Meg Amundson works at a bake sale. The group sponsored sales to help fund their annual dance.

During an afternoon meeting, the RJ Singers entertain the senior citizens of Trinity Lutheran Church. The group sang for many local clubs during the year.

Organizations

. . . part of the package

In addition to homework, part time jobs and athletics, Fort High students got involved in school organizations. Sophomores found themselves faced with deciding between language, athletic, and service clubs. Juniors and seniors assumed offices of responsibility such as president, editor, and secretary. As school got underway, students began undertaking club-related assignments. Art League members started painting a mural on a silo near Helenville, while Redskins went door-to-door on their calendar-selling campaign. F-Club sponsored professional wrestling, and the RJ Singers performed for local groups. Lunch hour meetings, fund raising drives, and holiday parties comprised the organizations package.

At the annual German Club dinner, junior Shari Schneider tries out a new German dessert, Black Forest torte. The club held their dinner in the foods room.

At the first home basketball game, against non-conference rival Milton, Astriana Soebodra watches the contest with Kris Brule in the pep band section of the bleachers.

In the lobby during the lunch break, AFS student Gianni Frittoli and senior Brian Abendroth sit and visit about their class schedule for the rest of the day.

Fort AFS chapter hosts two exchange students

Two foreign exchange students, Astriana Soebodro and Gianni Frittoli, spent the winter in Fort Atkinson. The two arrived in late August and remained in Fort through the end of the school year.

Residing with the Gary Moore family, Astriana, from Indonesia, experienced a changed culture and a different language. During her time at FHS, Astriana performed with the high school's choir.

From the city of Oggiono, Italy, Gianni stayed with his AFS brother Bob Weh and his family. Gianni participated in football, a sport unknown to him before his arrival during the fall season.

Two foreign students from Italy and Indonesia attend FHS while three local students travel to Finland, Chile, and Israel.

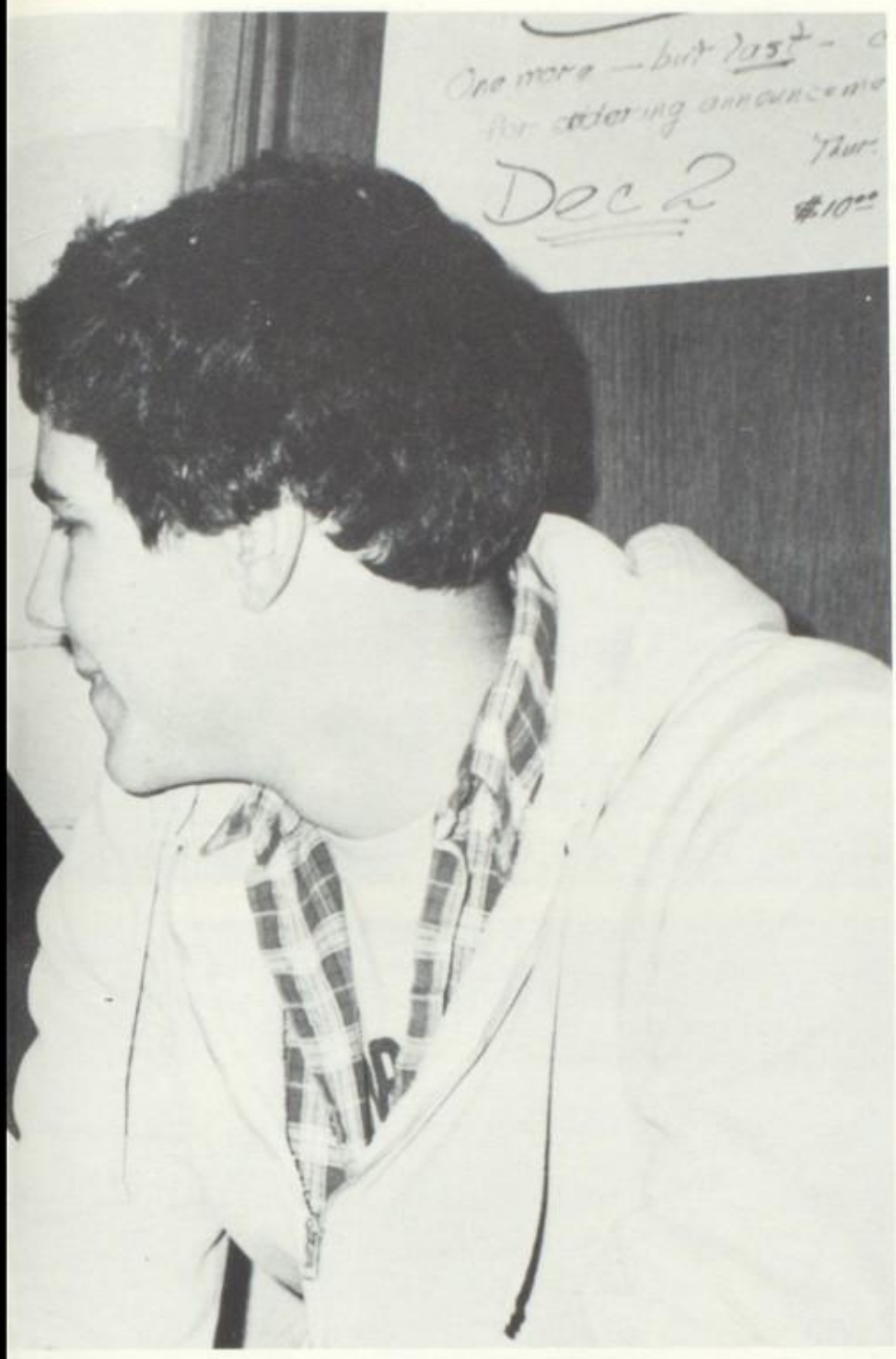
In addition to hosting Astriana and Gianni for the school year, Fort's AFS chapter sent three boys abroad. The three left for their foreign destinations at the end of June. Their expeditions lasted for nearly two months.

Former FHS student Randy Johnson journeyed to Santiago, Chile, for his eight-week AFS stay last summer. Randy went directly to his new home near Kansas City after returning to the United States from South America in August.

Senior Roger Rumppe spent his summer AFS tour in Israel. Roger resided with his family in the town of Afula. Roger traveled through much of the country and coast with his family, including a visit to the city of Jerusalem.

Another FHS student, Chris Braman, ventured north to Finland.

Chris' first sponsoring family lived in Rovaniemi, a city above the Arctic circle. After a few weeks Chris moved to Kantvik, Finland, for the rest of his stay.



On the pep bus headed for the Jefferson versus Fort Atkins boys basketball game, Gianni Frittoli reaches into a bag of potato chips taken from Jill Kruyne.

In the choir room, Astriana Soebodro, playing the piano, goes over a routine while Blackhawk band percussionist Doug Wangerin accompanies her.

AFS, Front Row: Heidi Bachar, Jackie Jones, Jenny Jones, Allison Hedin, Sue Ketter, Heidi Hinz, Pennie Erdman, Sue Haywood. **Second Row:** Kerry Bundick, Gwen Benoy, Sandy Jones, Jo Bauer, Michelle Kern, Penni Bundick. **Third Row:** Un-Hui Kim, Becky Keleny, Beth Benoy, Sue Fairfield, Heather Henning, Meg Amundson. **Back Row:** Sara Bickle, Mimi Black, Heidi Henning, Joy Kneiert, Gianni Frittoli, Chris Braman.

AFS, Front Row: Treas. Beth Plambeck, Sec. Peggy Merrick, V.-Pres. Lynn Beckman, Pres. Roger Rumppe. **Second Row:** Astriana Soebodro, Sandy Newell, Lisa Schantz, Jenni Onsrud, April Strohbush, Sue Rowley, Tammy Timm, Lisa Siegel, Sondra Matson. **Third Row:** Margaret Martin, Pam Pofahl, Erika Niemeier, Shari Schneider, Shari Last, Natalie Wright, Michele Meier, Kurt Schwartzenbart, Rhonda Smillie, Jill Winiarski. **Back Row:** Adv. Mr. Gail Roub, Bob Weh, Heidi Schwartzenbart, Trianna Wulfkuhle, Sue Zentner, Chris Mode, Sally Zentner, Collÿ Marquardt, Hans Tillander, Rod Bell.

F-Club brings All-Star Wrestling to Fort High

For the first time in Fort Atkinson, the F-Club sponsored professional wrestling. The event took place in the gym during Christmas break and starred the Hulk of "Rocky III" fame. F-Club member Pete Syens cited, "The work put into it was well worth the profits."

Co-advisers Glen Borland and Vern Jordan helped organize fund-raisers. A winter sale of assorted candy and popcorn canisters, along with the professional wrestling income, provided a profit of over $1500 for the club.

F-Club members also took turns working in small groups at the concession stand during boys and girls home basketball games. In turn, they used their F-Club passes to get into home games free.

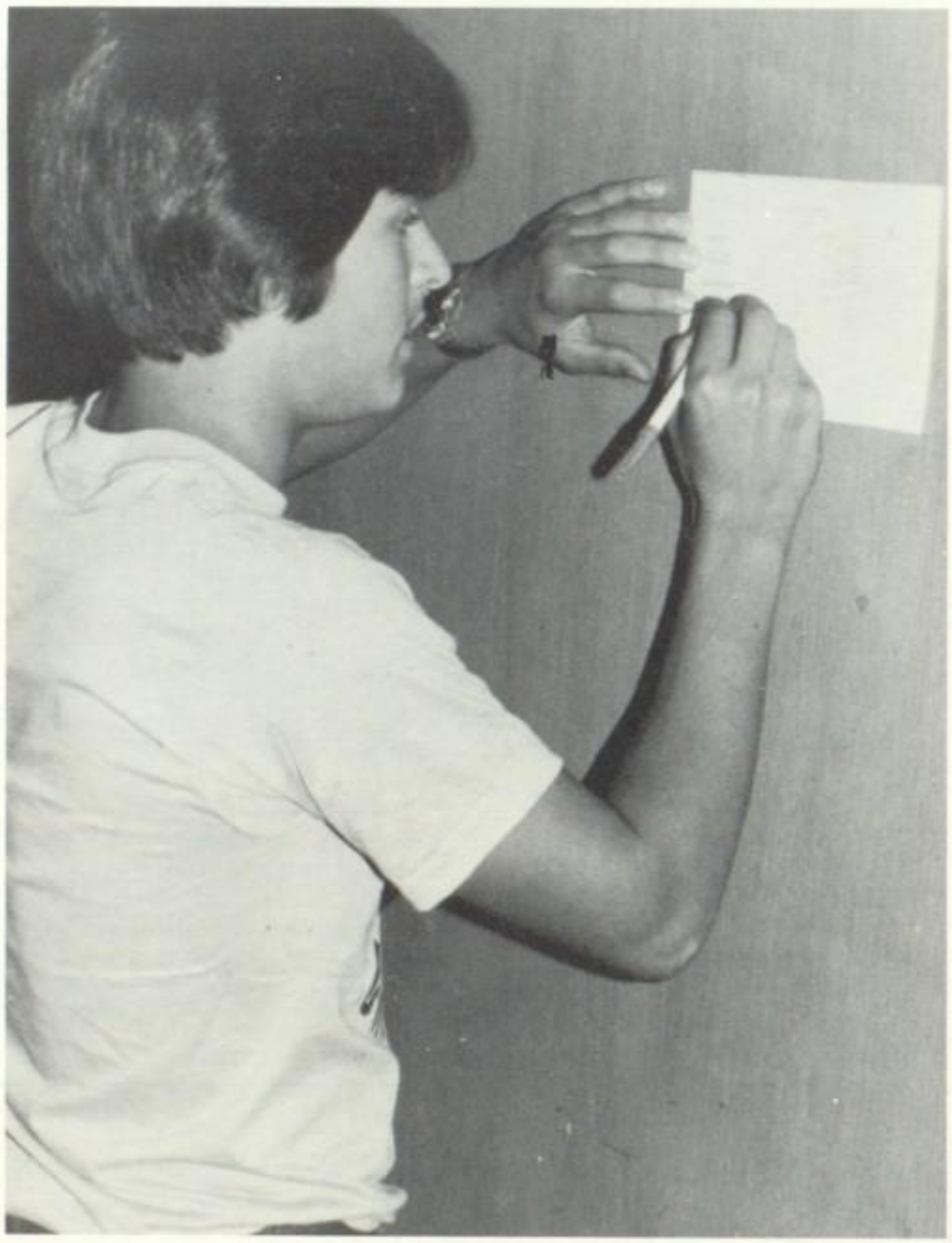
Members sold candy, snack mix and popcorn canisters that netted enough money to finance the All-Star Wrestling program.

By a secret ballot during an October meeting, club members voted Brent Yaeggi president and Mike Manley vice-president. Allison Hedin and Beth Plambeck completed the official staff as the organization's secretary and treasurer, respectively.

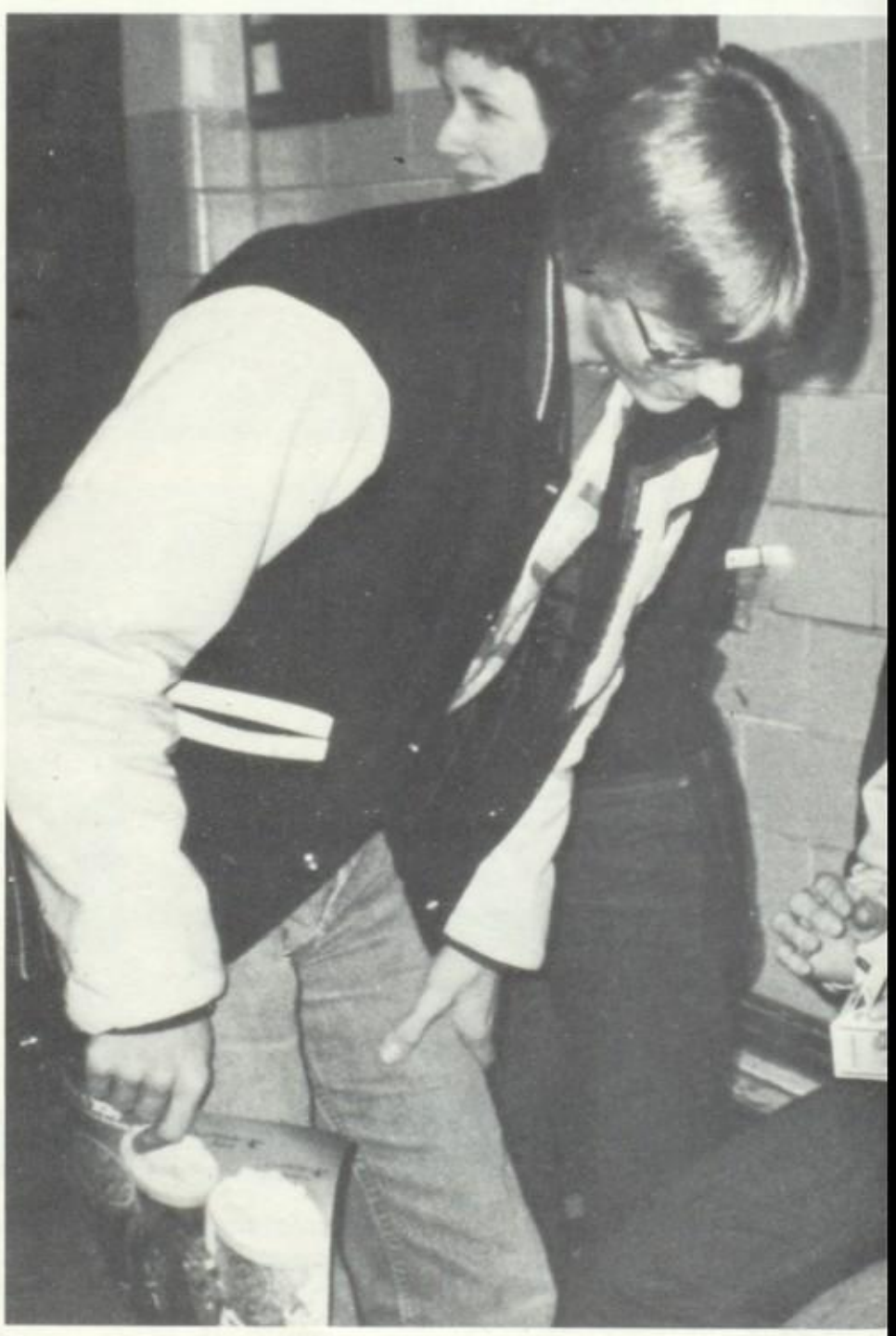
College scholarships valued at $100 a piece went to Karen Athas and Joe Zelten for their contributions to the organization during fund raisers and other activities in the 1981-82 school year. The official staff chose the recipients.

Rick Dexter, first year member, summarized the group's achievements stating, "F-Club members work hard to earn profits that go to good causes throughout the high school and community."

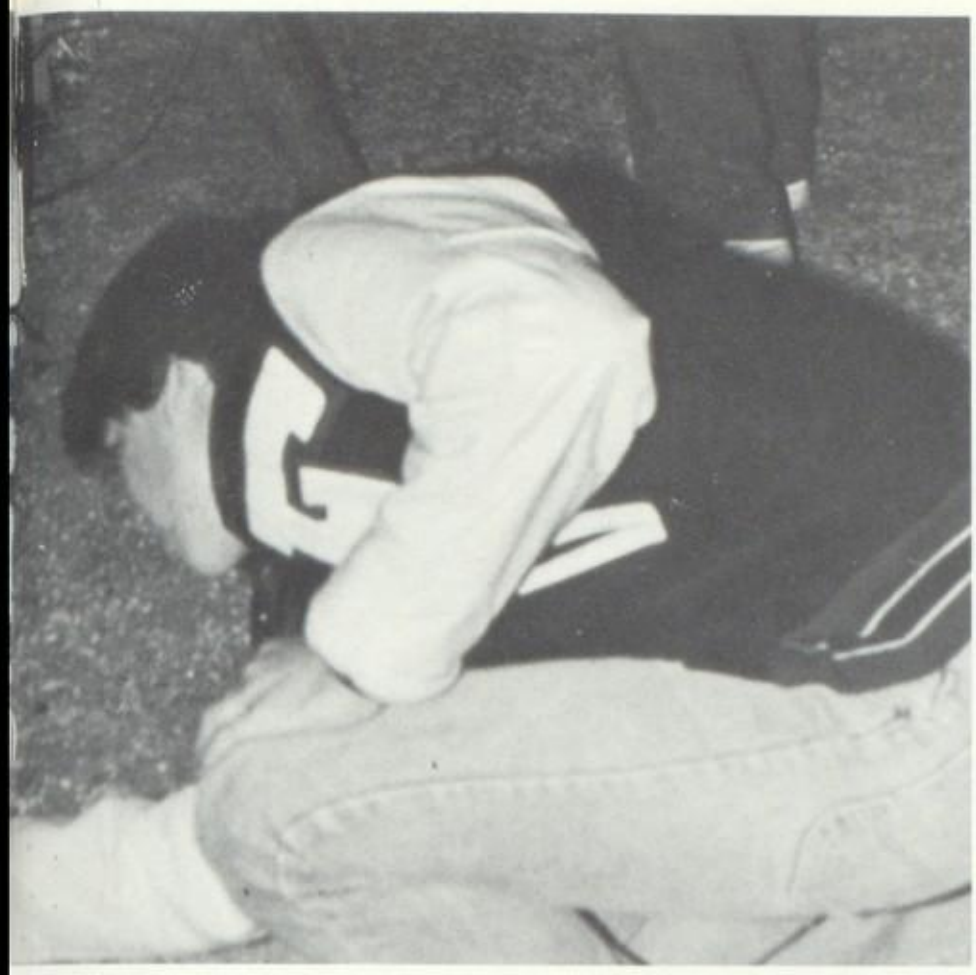
Varsity football tri-captain Brent Yaeggi ignites the outhouse at the annual Homecoming bonfire. Yaeggi presided over F-Club activities throughout the year.

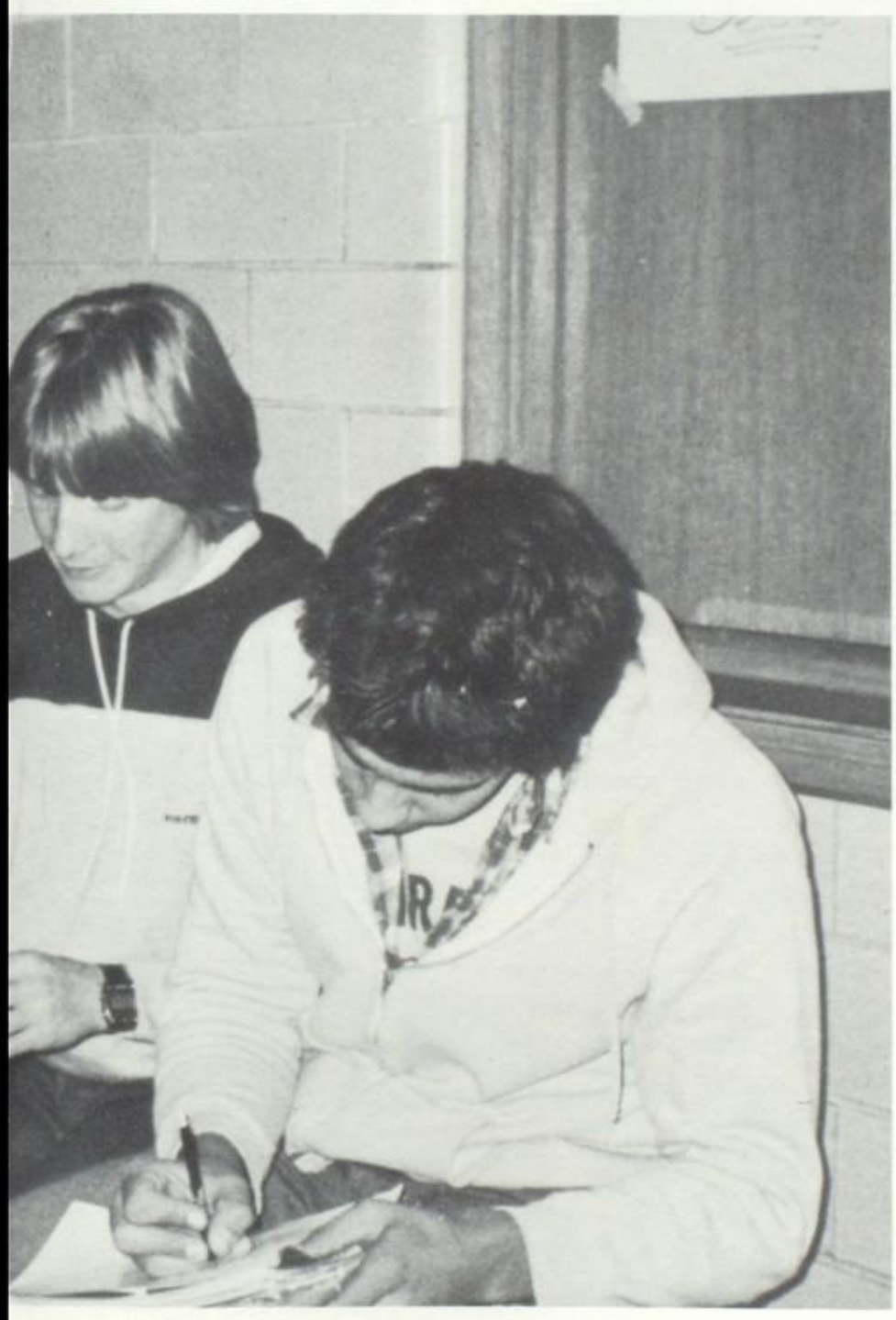


Junior F-Club member Rod Bell uses the gymnasium door to support his election ballot as he decides who he wants to vote for in the race for treasurer of the club.



F-Club members Eric Bachar and Brian Abendroth compare the number of orders each one of them took during the candy sale, while Gianni Frittoli listens in.





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F-Club, Front Row: Gabby Penfield, Jenny Jones, Erika Niemeier, Lori Koch, Kim Johnson, Laurie Jung, Heidi Hinz. **Second Row:** Adv. Glen Borland, Chris Mode, Sara Bickel, Judy Hathaway, Colly Marquart, Sue Ketter, Shelly Leslie, Scott Ciske, Mike Nysather, Adv. Vern Jordan. **Back Row:** Laurie Hagner, Ruth Lansing, Joy Kneiert, Donora Hollenbeck, Al Koeppel, Keith Neubert, Jack Kruyne, Jim Koehler, Rick Jooss.

F-Club, Front Row: Lisa Rupnow, Julie Spaanem, Peggy Sykes, Sue Zentner, Patti Wanie, Tammy Timm. **Second Row:** Sue Zick, Jenny Penfield, Dixie Hupke, Sally Zentner, Carla Zimmerman, Scott Riggs, Todd Schoen. **Back Row:** Dave Quinn, Jim Smith, Pete Syens, Mike Smrekar, Doug Wangerin, Bob Weh, Dave Van Schoyck.

Taking part in a Mary Kay presentation on applying cosmetics, the entertainment scheduled for the Mother-Daughter banquet, Shelly Leslie washes her face.

As part of the service weekends, Joyce Meske and Chris Mode finish some yardwork. Proceeds from the project went toward scholarships.

Redskins introduce community service project

Raking leaves and other chores served community and carried out club oath; girls, independence impressed adviser.

Impressed with the willingness of the year's Redskin group, adviser Miss Bev Killian praised, "I rarely have to do anything to get the group going. They usually initiate projects on their own and are fairly independent."

Carrying out some of the duties incorporated in the Redskin oath, the club launched the community service project. Advertisements appeared locally in the paper and on the radio for citizens wanting leaves raked or any other work to be done by the girls.

Raising the needed money for the organization's expenses came mainly from a calendar sale, bake sales, and the community service project, which took place in fall and spring. The Redskin formal in January and scholarships topped the list of expenses.

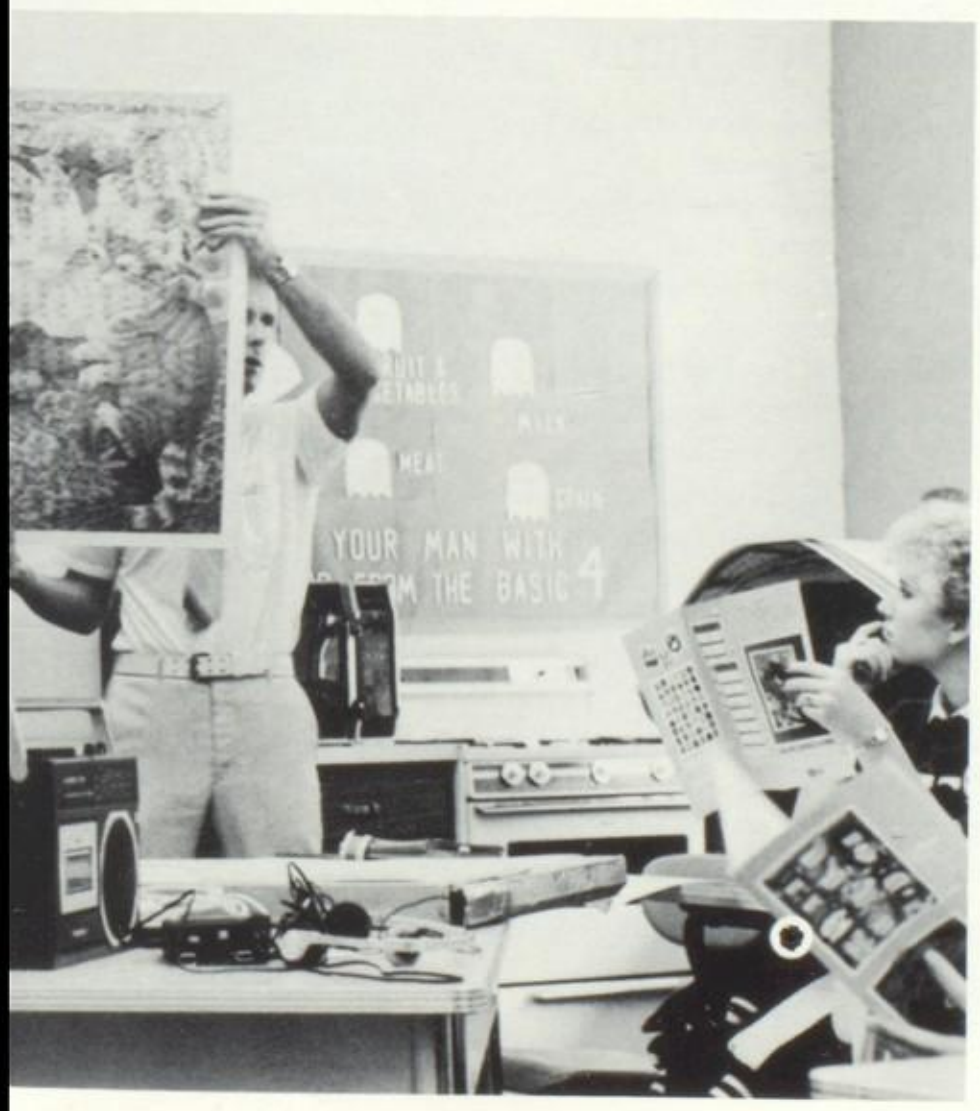
Constructing the cardboard MG used at the Homecoming bonfire occupied several junior days. Large boxes collected from local grocery stores supplied the body of the structure, and various remnants of light blue and silver paint added the finishing touches.

Four graduating members received scholarships of $50.00 at the Recognition and Awards Day on May 27. Lorie Bundick, Thresa Koehler, Sarah Merz and Ann Syens accepted the awards.

The annual potluck dinner where new members got initiated took place on November 1. Because of construction conflicts, the banquet switched locations from the lunchroom to the activity room. "Getting initiated was exciting for me," admitted Amy Bates.

Running errands and helping out senior citizens of the community occupied the time of some volunteers. A few girls decorated the display cases in the school and at the public library. Michele Meier summed up, "It's a good way to meet and help people."

During a noon hour meeting, Redskin members listen to tips on how to successfully promote a poster-selling campaign that increased the club's treasury.



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Redskins, Front Row: Lisa Schantz, Beth Plambeck, Jill Winiarski, Lisa Siegel, Patti Wanie. **Second Row:** Pam Pofahl, Erika Niemeier, Shari Schneider, Diane Taylor, Theresa Taylor. **Back Row:** Julie Witt, Trianna Wulfkuhle, Sue Zentner, Sally Zentner, Debbie Porter, Wendy Romens.

Student Council treasurer, Jim Scherdin, fills the pop machine, one of his weekly duties. Other student council activities included bake sales and assemblies.

Student school board representative Theresa Taylor attends one of the many school board meetings. Members held meetings one Thursday each month.

Council replaces key officers, sponsors 'Jam'

Replacing key members of student council arose as a unique problem. Student school board representative Natalie Wright resigned her position after moving to Florida. Special elections took place to fill the board position.

Juniors Sue Rowley and Trianna Wulfkuhle declared themselves candidates for the position. In the student election drawing 206 people out of a possible 605 voters, Rowley came out victorious.

In order to update the old school constitution, student council appointed a special committee. The committee revised the old constitution so that it would read in more up-to-date language.

The group also decided who would run or be appointed as Student Council president after Kirsten Larson graduated at semester. After a number of controversial meetings and debates, the council installed Vice President Amy Bates as Larson's successor. Jim Purucker took over as Treasurer and Jim Scherdin moved up to the position of Vice President.

School board rep. Natalie Wright moved and Kirsten Larson graduated at semester, forcing an election.

Providing entertainment for the high school student body, student council sponsored assemblies throughout the year. Other student council activities included bake sales and considering the commons area of the new school.

"Freedom Jam," a rock group concerned with freedom in the U.S., provided entertainment at one student council sponsored concert. The assembly served as a promotion for the evening performance.

"I feel that the concert with Freedom Jam was a success. It provided assmeblies at the Junior and Senior High School and gave students the opportunity to attend the concert later in the evening," commented adviser Mr. Don Piper.

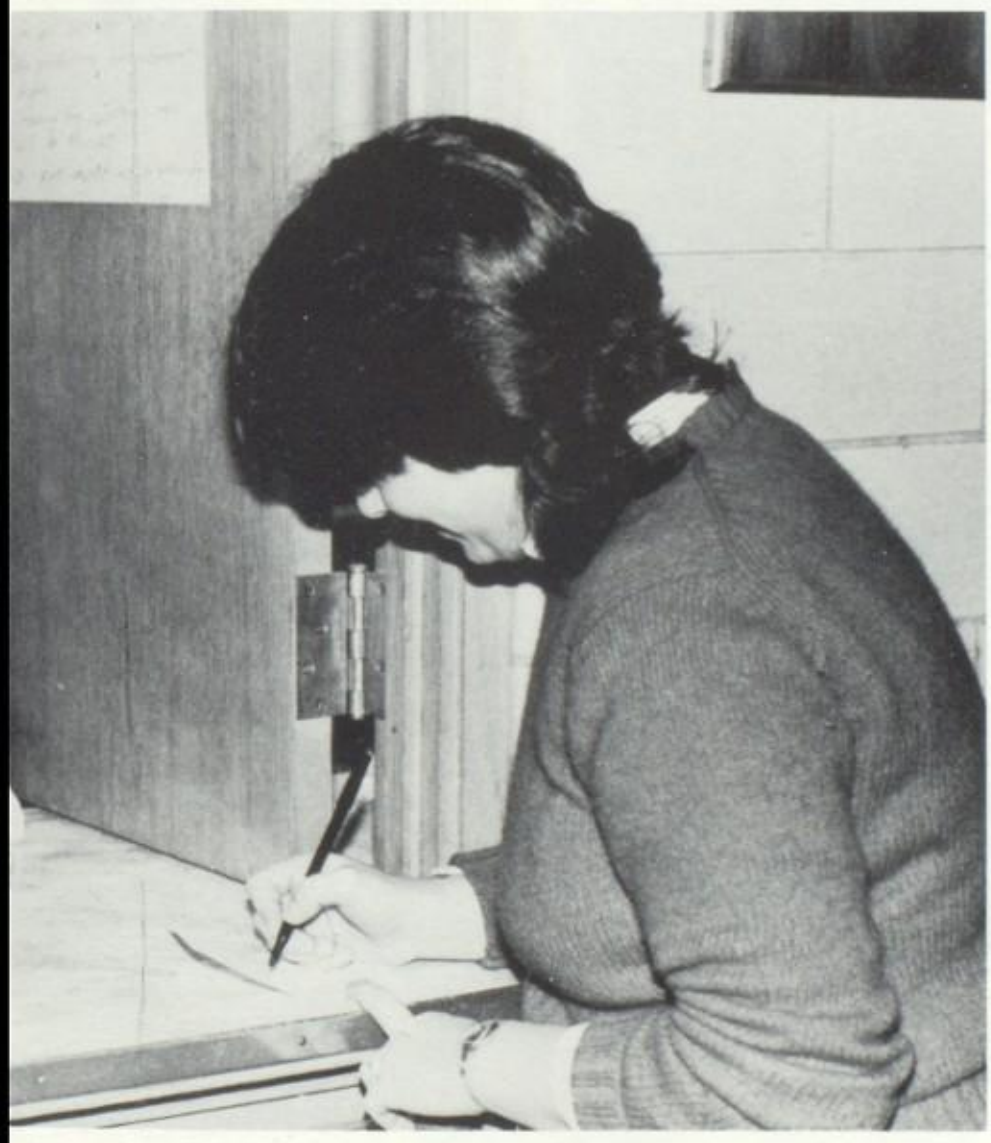
"Student Council is an opportunity for students to voice their opinions," noted Piper, co-adviser with Mr. Don Wahl. "It gives students a chance to deal with issues that concern them."

Sue Rowley votes for her choice of student board rep. as Theresa Taylor marks her name off the junior list. Rowley came out victorious over Trianna Wulfkuhle.

Council President Kirsten Larson picks the first semester exam schedule as Mrs. Lorraine Tekeley writes them down. The Council determined this by picking cards.

Student Council, Front Row: Senior Class Pres. Jo Bauer, Treas. Jim Scherdin, Sec. Sue Zentner. **Second Row:** Pennie Erdman, Jill Kruyne, Lisa Siegel, Allison Hedin. **Back Row:** Pennie Bundick, Heidi Hinz, Chris Mode, Nancy Baio, Kim Johnson. **Not Pictured:** Pres. Kirsten Larson, V. Pres. Amy Bates, School Board Rep. Sue Rowley.

Student Council, Front Row: Patti Wanie, School Board Rep. Natalie Wright, School Board Rep. Theresa Taylor, Sue Ketter. **Second Row:** Sylvia Thomas, Shelly Leslie, Sue Ackerman, Sara Bickle. **Back Row:** Colly Marquart, John Nell, Pete Syens, Mike McGrain.



Student Council, Front Row: Kerry Bundick, Diane Taylor, Rhonda Reinel, Tammy Strese. **Back Row:** Scott Catron, Lisa Vorlob, Lane Liebergen, Wendy Romens, Stephanie Voelker, Greg Keating.

FFA members exhibit projects at County Fair

Future Farmers of America members display their work at the County Fair and other local exhibitions.

Combining club activities with community involvement, some members of Future Farmers of America exhibited their livestock or projects at the Jefferson County Fair in the last week of July.

Delegates from the Fort FFA chapter traveled to three different conventions. Members went to the National and State Conventions, along with the FFA Leadership Conference in Washington D.C.

During FFA week in May, the club sponsored various activities for the student body. Events such as hay bail tossing, tractor weight guessing and wheelbarrow racing took place during the lunch hour of that week.

In early April, FFA members gathered at J. F. Luther Jr. High School for their annual FFA Banquet. At the ceremony, members received awards and recognition for participation in and development of their agricultural projects.

Citrus sales of oranges and grapefruit again served as a major fundraiser for the organization. The sale of over 800 cases provided a $2000 profit for the group. Also, concession stand sales at the football games supplied the FFA with some additional money.

Unlike other organizations, the FFA group continued their work throughout the summer. Over the summer they held several get-togethers with alumni and new members. Agricultural Projects continued to receive attention also.

Community projects gained FFA considerations. Undertakings, such as tree planting, land conservation and other nature welfare activities occupied much of the group's time. Much of this work also took place over the summer.

Officers in the local Fort Atkinson chapter of the FFA included Tim Preuninger, President; Roger Uhe, Vice President; Steve Kincaid, Secretary; and Jim Jaeckel, Treasurer. Also, Darrin Kreuger served as Reporter while Pat Radar held the Sentinel position.

During a summer picnic at the Hebron School, FFA members attempt to pull a full milk truck. In doing so, they collected on a $50 bet with the FFA alumni.

At the human wheelbarrel race, one of the events during FFA week in May, Sylvia Thomas and Patti Wanie prepare to compete against Chris Mode and Jill Kruyne.

After accepting a plaque for her outstanding work throughout the school year, FFA member Sigrid Stade walks away from the podium carrying her award.

FFA, Front Row: Sent. Pat Rader, Pres. Tim Preuninger, Sec. Steve Kincaid, V. Pres. Roger Uhe, Treas. James Jaeckel, Reporter Darrin Krueger. **Back Row:** Karen Findlay, Mike Forester, Scott Anton, Rick Cloute, Richard Brandenburg, Kevin Bigelow, Todd Forester.

FFA, Front Row: Kirk Nelson, Steve Holback, Chris Hack, Tom McCullough, Roger Kokalares. **Back Row:** Bob Hoffman, Dan Nelson, Todd Knox, Greg Mode, Paul McCann, Pete Messmer.

FFA, Front Row: Wanda Uhe, Sherry Stork, Belinda Redenius, Kevin Telfer. **Back Row:** Keith Schultz, Lonny Reich, Adv. Lyle Mercer, Don Truman, Sigrid Stade, Cheryl Stork.

During the FFA Banquet at the junior high, Sandra Dahnert receives an award from new President Tim Preuninger as past President Warrin Behselich applaudes.

International meal highlights language activities

Tables filled with crepes, tacos and brats tempted language club members. An international dinner hosted by Sue Rowley taught French, Spanish and German students different cultures.

Highlighted by a French fashion show presented by French II and a sample of the work Katie Breitsprecher and Don Lauritzen did in the Fireside production, "The Sound of Music," French Club members dined together at the Christmas party on December 20.

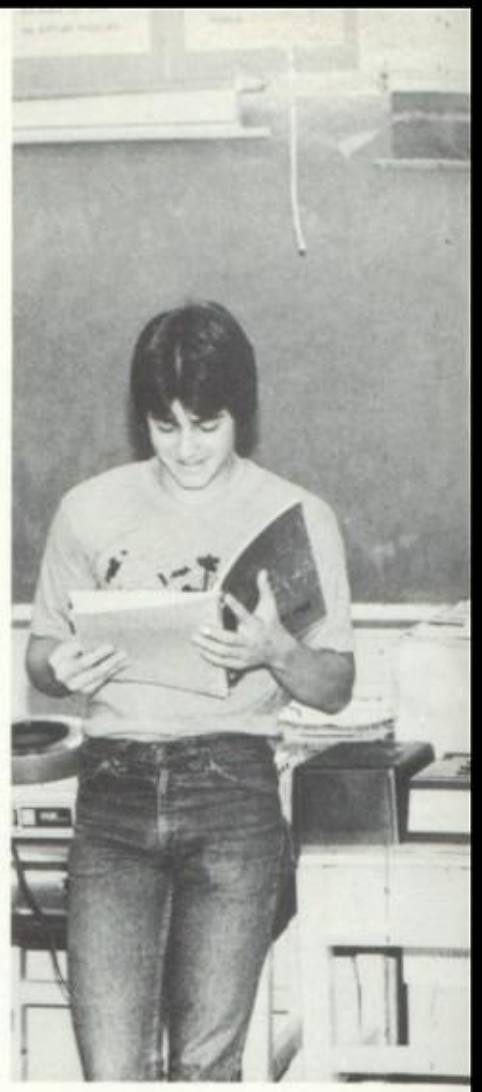
French Club held their most successful bakesale in years, raising approximately $80.00. They sponsored another at Copps, featuring crepes and creme puffs. Funds went toward giving members a taste of French cuisine and culture at LeBistro in Milwaukee.

Extra-curricular activities expand French, Spanish and German students' knowledge about the cultures

Spanish Club celebrated the Christmas holiday with a gathering on December 29 at president Jane Baker's house. The potluck party consisted of festive Spanish dishes authentically prepared.

Theresa Taylor expressed about Spanish Club, "The Spanish culture is very different from our own and really interesting to learn about." Sylvia Thomas remarked about a group trip to Chi Chi's, "The Mexican food was great. I had fun tasting all of it!"

During one of their lunch hours in the spring, German Club members assembled to sample some German foods. Bill Merrick commented, "I think it is good to be active in some sort of foreign language activities."



Spanish club members junior Rod Bell and senior Brian Abendroth look over a list of treats and decide what to bring to their upcoming Spanish club bakesale.

Scooping out ice cream to go with her cherries jubilee, Un-Hui Kim fills her plate with rich French desserts at the annual French club Christmas party.

Waiting to be served her salad in Le Bistro at the Marc Plaza, Gwen Benoy anticipates another new dining experience on the French club spring trip to Milwaukee.

Spanish Club, Front Row: Debbie Jones, Laurie Jung, Pres. Jane Baker, V. Pres. Laurie Hagner, Sec. Treas. Kim Johnson, Adv. Mrs. Cheryl Piper. **Second Row:** Teri Anderson, Renee Behselich, Mimi Black, Lori Koch, Sue Haywood, Jackie Jansen. **Third Row:** Shirley Jung, Tammy Hopp, Kate Garrett, Lisa Gross, Barb Adams, Corey Butler. **Back Row:** Scott Engstrom, Brian Abendroth, Rod Bell.

Spanish Club, Front Row: Martha Roahen, Debbie Kostichka, Renee Erickson, Peggy Sykes, Sylvia Thomas, Theresa Taylor. **Second Row:** Diane Taylor, Tracy Schuman, Sue Zick, Jenni Onsrud, Cammi Purucker, Becky Riddell. **Back Row:** Ginger Robel, Roger Paulson, Pat O'Donnell, John Mooney, Marc Pernaccario, Dave Quinn.

French Club, Front Row: Adv. Mrs. Catherine Durette, Pat Folk, Amy Gore, Treas. Michele Meier, Pres. Sue Rowley, V. Pres. Jenny Jones. **Second Row:** Mariann Ames, Sue Ackerman, Sara Bickle, Sandy Jones, Jackie Jones. **Back Row:** Lucy Gross, Lynn Beckman, Kathy Bielefeldt, Tammy Haynes, Beth Benoy, Gwen Benoy.

French Club, Front Row: Astrianna Soebodro, Amy Landowski, Gabby Penfield, Un-Hui Kim, Sondra Matson, Amy Kenny. **Second Row:** Lavinia Payson, Margaret Martin, Becky Keleny, Erika Niemeier, Laura Letcher, Jenni Onsrud, Pam Pofahl. **Third Row:** Gary Jansen, Bob Weh, Lane Leibergen, Shari Last, Rhonda Reinel, Beth Plambeck, Lisa Rupnow. **Back Row:** Tim Preuninger, Joy Kneiert, Colly Marquart, Heidi Stauffacher, Jane Berhow, Don Lauritzen, Paul Talcott.

French Club, Front Row: Lisa Schantz, Patti Wanie, Jill Winiarski, Tammy Timm. **Second Row:** Lori Ziebell, Shari Schneider, Natalie Simonini, Trianna Wulfkuhle. **Back Row:** Stephani Voelker, Wendy Romens, Heidi Schwarzenbart, Kurt Schwarzenbart.

German Club, Front Row: Pres. Sally Zentner, V. Pres. Heidi Hinz, Sec./Treas. Donora Hollenbeck. **Second Row:** Astrianna Soebodro, Chris Mode, Kiersten Frey, Lisa Olsen. **Back Row:** Robert Boss, Bill Merrick, Mark McGowan, Beth Mueller.

FHA'ers spread cheer at Health Care Center

During Christmas vacation, FHA members assembled and went caroling at the Fort Atkinson Health Care Center. FHA'ers also made macrame wreaths to give to the residents of the Care Center during their visit.

Future Homemakers of America members elected Laura Olsen president, Sherry Rogers vice president, Lori Koch secretary, Sue Danielson treasurer and Debbie O'Neil historian at their organizational meeting held in September.

Selling nuts and sunflower seeds, along with several bake sales during the school year, provided money for the club. The group sponsored a holiday tea for faculty members on December 21.

FHA members Christmas carol for elderly; Library Council regulates student behavior and material use.

Library Council members started the year by voting for officers at their meeting. Elected to office included: Heidi Schwarzenbart president, Sue Zentner vice president, Kierstin Frey secretary, Kurt Schwarzenbart treasurer and Lavinia Payson historian.

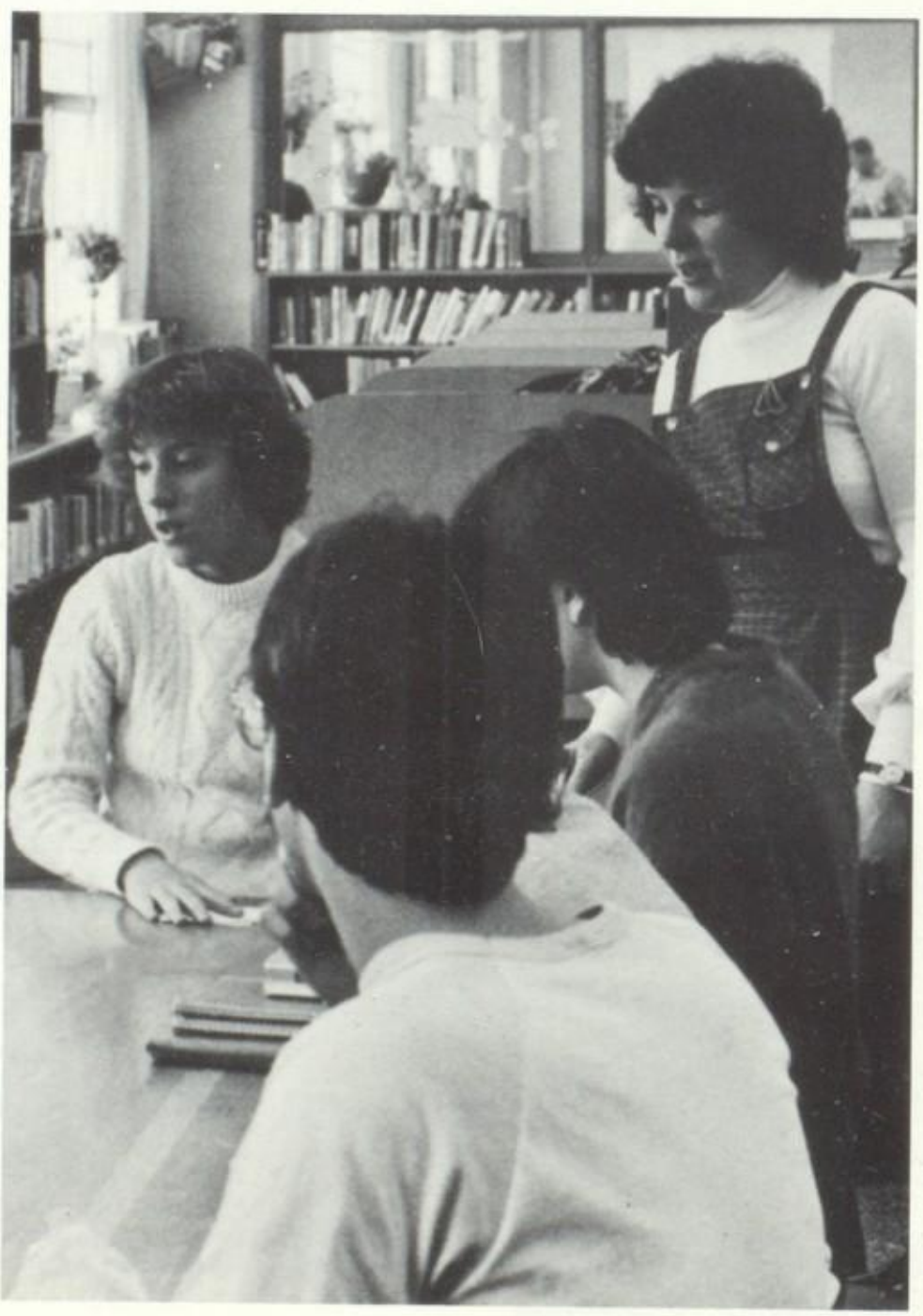
At another meeting, members of the council voted to renew the rules and guidelines they set last year governing student behavior in the library and the use of its materials during school hours.

Members also made plans for the library and all of the equipment going along with the new facilities. Adviser Margaret Birk mentioned the need for computers, copiers and micro-film readers.

Other plans for the new library included sharing a television studio with the Audio Visual Department, new classrooms for speech and other departments, and a special conference room for groups of students to gather in.

FHA members Sue Zick and Jody Schumacher pour beverages for faculty members during their holiday tea as Mr. Dan Menzer chooses a cookie.

Library Council adviser Mrs. Margaret Birk takes time out from her regular duties to count ballots from the election of officers at a meeting of the Council.



In the back of the library, Council members Sue Zentner, Chris Teipner and Kiersten Frey discuss library problems with library secretary Mrs. Marilyn Bittner.

Library Council, Front Row: Adv. Mrs. Margaret Birk, Pres. Heidi Schwarzenbart, V. Pres. Sue Zentner, Hist. Lavinia Payson, Treas. Kurt Schwarzenbart. **Back Row:** Robert Boss, Eugene Truman, Kim Schultz, Chris Teipner, Randy Farnsworth, Kate Garrett.

FHA, Front Row: Hist. Debbie O'Neil, Sec. Lori Koch, Pres. Laura Olsen, V. Pres. Sherry Rogers, Julie O'Neil, Treas. Sue Danielson. **Second Row:** Deanna Anderson, Jody Schumacher, Sue Zick, Cathy Stroede, Kim Schultz, Jana Cromer. **Back Row:** Kathy Young, Mindy Heussner, Adv. Mrs. Jean Ehrke, Sue Krantz.

Mr. Glen Borland picks out a cookie and a glass of fruit punch as FHA students Sue Krantz and Sherry Rogers prepare to pour more for other faculty members.

Christmas concert demonstrates choir's talent

Voices of the Concert Choir, harmonizing into the traditional holiday songs, announced the arrival of Christmas, highlighting the last day before Christmas vacation. "The choir performed with spirit," commented Vice-Principal Mr. Ed Winiarski.

FHS's Concert Choir presented five season concerts: fall, Christmas, spring, and festival. Also the group held a musical revue. The revue, similar to a musical without a plot, offered open participation to all interested students in the school.

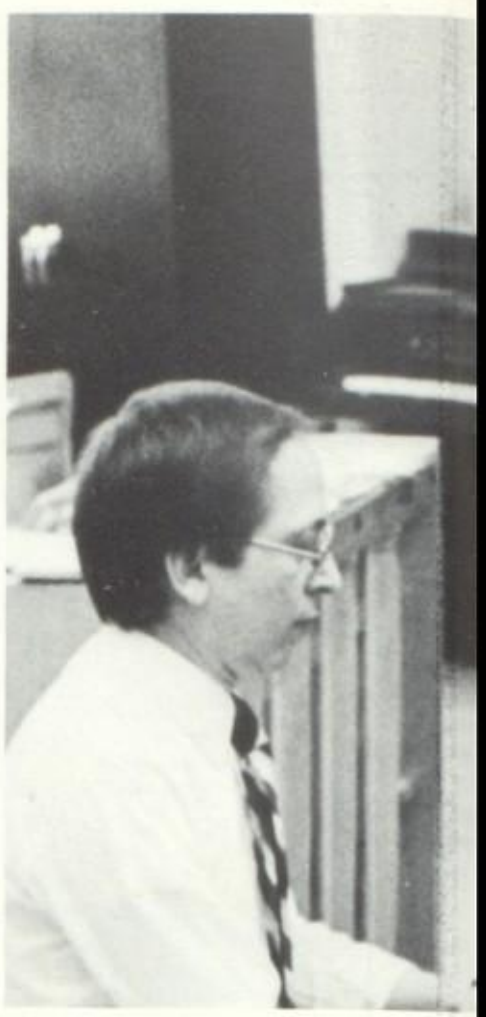
Balanced programs existed as Mr. Thomas Ryan's main concern for his class. He chose music of the masters, contemporary serious music, spirituals, and madrigals. Sixteenth and seventeenth century entertainment provided variety necessary for his program.

Concert Choir ends the year with a schoolwide musical revue; ornaments become an effective new fund raiser.

Soloists achieved awards through the participation in annual solo and ensemble contests held around the state. First and second division awards resulted from the frequent practice of certain material and the talent of selected members of the Concert Choir.

Concert Choir students found their newest fund raising project, selling acrylic Christmas ornaments, a successful venture. The money raised in the project enabled the students to buy a drum set. The Choir planned future projects to buy risers for the class.

Under the subjection of noise and dirt from the neighboring gym construction, the choir and their director looked forward to the class in the finished building. "I'm looking forward to the soundproof walls," confessed Mr. Ryan.



Practicing a solo during her fourth hour class, junior Sylvia Thomas sings "Come, Come Ye Sons of Art," as Mr. Ryan, choir director, plays the piano.

Singing the chorus from "Come, Come Ye Sons of Art," concert choir students practice to achieve a soft-flowing melody while Mr. Ryan accompanies on the piano.

In memory of veterans of war, choir students sing "Battle Hymn of the Republic" as Mrs. Shirley Chiochios accompanies and Mr. Tom Ryan directs.

Anticipating the end of the school year, Concert Choir students express their feelings by singing the song "Oh Clap Your Hands," at the annual Spring Concert.

Concert Choir, Front Row: Director Thomas Ryan, Tammy Christian, Theresa Baker, Sylvia Thomas, Astrianna Soebodro, Katie Yoder, Student Teacher Barb Roberts. **Second Row:** Mark Rawding, Bill Johnson, John Mickleson, Becky Grant, Vicky Varah, Tina Studzinski, Betty Bingham. **Third Row:** Liz Haney, Chris Teipner, Ron Sebranek, Heather Henning, Sue Zentner, Beth Plambeck. **Back Row:** Mike Pennell, Nelda Adams, Lisa Vorlob, Mark Fixmer, Heidi Schwarzenbart, Mary Gordon.

RJ's gain rhythm with addition of bass guitar

Joined by bass guitarist Jack Kruyne, drummer Doug Wangerin and pianist Astriana Soebodro, the RJ singers gained rhythm to enhance their moves and their music. "The addition of a bass guitar added to our music and improved our total sound," exclaimed RJ Mike Pennell.

With the help of student teachers Mrs. Barb Roberts, Miss Ginny Jung, Mr. Tom Ryan choreographed such popular songs and medleys as "Fame," "The Muppet Movie" and "Grease."

Performances for groups such as the Lions Club, A.R.P., Hoard Museum, Optimist Club and Rotary Club gave the group the opportunity to attain experience. They also appeared at the Fireside playhouse and the Fort Atkinson Junior and Senior High Schools.

A band consisting of bass guitar, drummer and pianist added to the total sound and quality of the RJ singers' music.

"Having only 12 people did not affect our quality but rather gave us more room to perform to our full capacity," stated Ron Sebranek. The limited number also gave more opportunities for soloists in "Grease," "It was Almost Like a Song," and "Stay Tuned."

Printing Christmas cards, setting up for the Hoard Museum Art show and doing a two month painting on a 20 foot high silo near Ixonia numbered among the projects that Art League took on.

Art League meetings took place every other Tuesday of the month. Attending FHS, participating in the meetings and maintaining an interest in art remained the only requirements for joining the club.

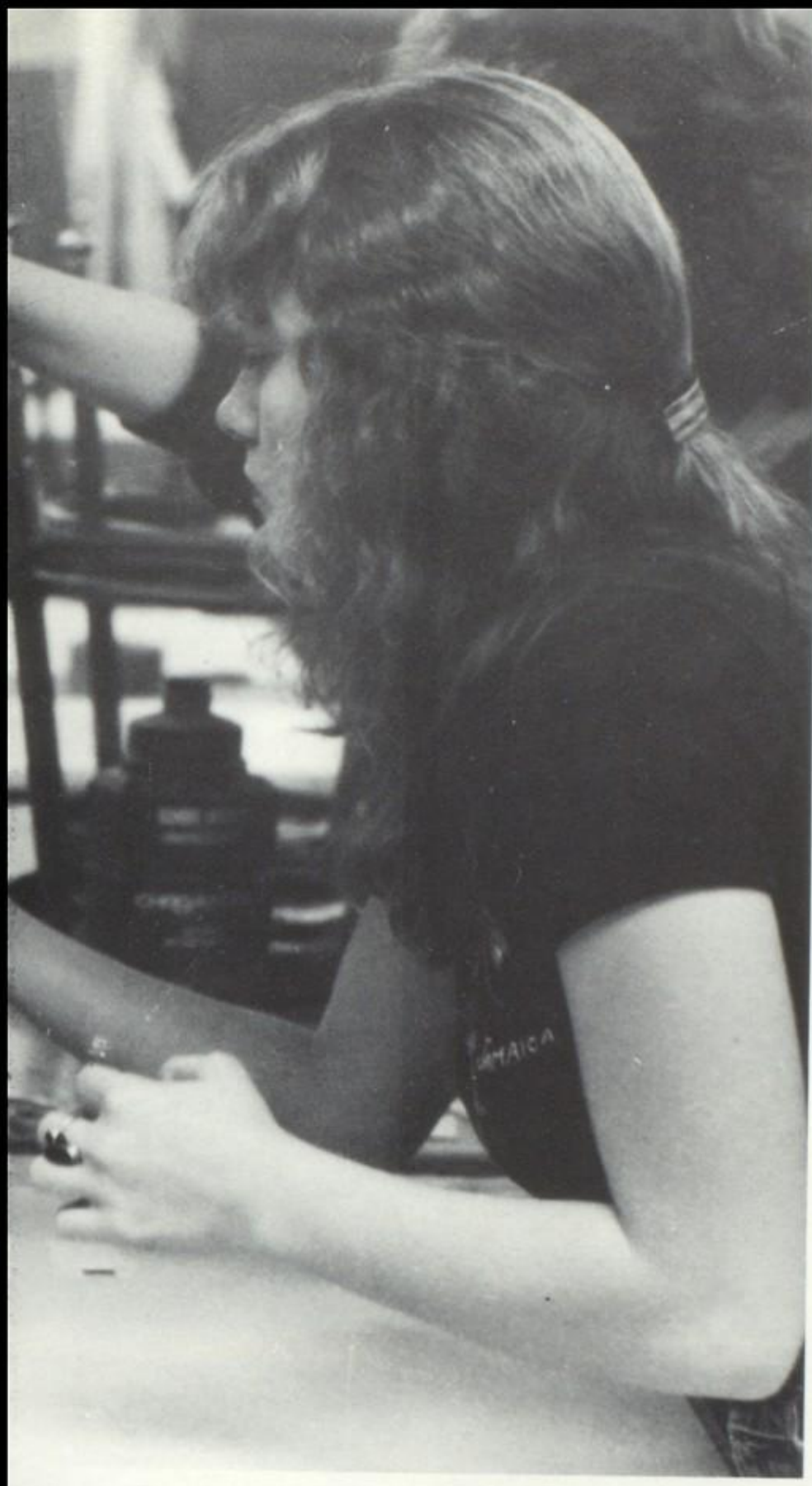
Art League members also involved themselves in various art projects for the Hoard and High School Art Shows. With the activity room occupied, Mr. Robert Hase seemed doubtful whether to hold the school art show or not.

"Art League provides an opportunity for students to explore more areas of art," commented Mr. Robert Hase. 'We try to get involved in the community with our projects as we did with the silo."

During an Art League meeting Sandy Griedl prepares the silkscreen to print her Christmas card. This involved cleaning the screen and putting ink on the plate.

In a medley from "Grease" at a Junior High concert, soloist Chris Teipner scowls at his female soloist counterpart while the rest of the RJ singers watch on.

At the close of the song "Grease," the RJ Singers assemble in their version of a kickline. The October 3 concert took place in the high school gymnasium.



RJ Singers, Front Row: Kristine Brule, Ron Sebranek, Kathleen Breitsprecher, Christopher Teipner, Gabrielle Penfield. **Second Row:** Paula Chiochios, Mark Rawding, John Mickelson, Jane Quill. **Back Row:** Michael Pennell, Heidi Schwarzenbart, Gary Jansen, Trianna Wulfkuhle.

Art League, Front Row: Sandy Griedl, Kim Kernan, Amy Landowski, Julie Woelffer. **Second Row:** Jodi Russell, V. Pres. Chris Mode, Lisa Martin. **Back Row:** Adviser Mr. Robert Hase, Sue Ludwig, Colleen Marquart, Doug Wangerin, John Mickelson.

Art League, Front Row: Anne Jazdzewski, Amy Gore, Pres. Pat Folk, Steve Golinski, Heidi Hinz. **Back Row:** Renee Hake, Treas. Meg Amundson, Jody Furley, Patti Hanewold, Susan Fairfield.

Forensics travel to Madison for state meet

Team ends season with second place in Badger Conference; NHS inducts twenty-four new members at annual banquet

Eight students from Fort High School received "A" ratings at the district forensics meet held at the University of Wisconsin — Whitewater. This meet qualified them for State competition on April 22, 1982, at the UW — Madison.

Forensics members started preparing in January for the upcoming season by meeting with adviser Mr. Phillips Schubert. About three times a week, members rehearsed either before school, during the noon hour, or after school.

During the season, forensics members competed in the Badger Conference and finished the year in second place. Besides the Badger Conference competition, members also participated at the Sub-district level.

Commenting on what forensics meant to her, senior member Dawn Stelse testified, "Forensics is a good way to express oneself through an interpretation that has a special meaning or emotion to the reader and it's also a great way of meeting new people."

Honoring NHS members on May 19, an annual banquet took place at the junior high. Twenty four members chose areas they thought characteristic of their achievements and lit the appropriate candle to show their dedication.

Initiate member Un-Hui Kim outlined the assets of being in the society, "Being accepted is a prestigious honor. Many athletes are praised for their achievements, and this honors students' dedication in academic studies."

NHS members elected three-year members Kirsten Larson and Mike Manley to represent FHS in the competition for the NHS scholarship. A board judged the thousands of applications it received from students across the nation.

"We're basically an organization that honors students with high grades. We do not do service projects and things like that. I think that's how it is with other schools' societies also," commented adviser Mr. James Strey.

During the important ceremony of lighting the symbolic candles, Barb Adams chooses the candle representing service as other members wait to light their own.

Senior Dawn Stelse recites her poem to other forensics members in Mr. Phillips Schubert's room. Members practiced in this fashion two to three times a week.

Evaluating the content of a speaker's reading, Forensics adviser Mr. Phillips Schubert waits to tell the student to use gestures to bring out the main points.

Newly elected junior and sophomore members listen to speeches about good attitudes, the importance of the candles and the history of the society at the banquet.

Forensics, Front Row: Gabby Penfield, Lavinia Payson, Dawn Stelse, Kate Garrett, Jackie Jansen. **Second Row:** Michelle Meier, Becky Keleny, Gary Jansen, Heidi Schwarzenbart, Michelle Kern, Rhonda Smillie. **Back Row:** Shari Last, Mimi Black, Chris Teipner, Don Lauritzen, Lisa Olson, Kurt Schwarzenbart.

NHS, continuing members, Front Row: Randy Johnson, Sandy Newell, Leigh Hinrichs, Hilda Bos, Sarah Merz, Ann Syens, Angie Kenny. **Back Row:** Judy Peterson, Wade Congdon, Mike Manley, John Offerdahl, Jerry Quaerna, Sandee Horn, Sally Zentner, Kirsten Larson, Joe Zelten.

NHS, New Members, Front Row: Martha Klevgaard, Lorie Bundick, Charles Keleny, Steve Redford, Kim Marshall, Tyson Barnes. **Second Row:** Rod Bell, Paul Talcott, Trianna Wulfkuhle, Gwen Benoy, Sue Ackerman, Lucy Gross, Un-Hui Kim. **Back Row:** Don Schantz, Laura Letcher, Julie Witt, Barb Adams, Heidi Henning, Chris Braman, Brian Abendroth, Eric Bachar, Roger Rumppe, Peggy Merrick, Kathleen Breitsprecher.

Signal staff proposes yearly offer to students

Deadlines. Lay-outs. Paste-ups. Interviews. These and much more made up the total product of the newspaper, *The Signal*. Sophomores learned quickly by watching experienced staffers. Heidi Bachar noted, "At first I was confused but now it's going smoothly."

Trying a new and different approach to selling the school's newspaper, *The Signal* staff charged $1.00 for a yearly subscription of nine issues. Students not taking advantage of the offered deal paid $.20 per paper, a price increase of $.10 from last year.

Even though only about 200 students out of the entire student body bought the subscription, the staff did not get discouraged. The newspaper students found that despite the new way of selling *The Signal*, most continued buying the newspaper by the issue.

Adviser Mr. Gail Roub reveals staff wishes to gain more interest from student body to sell more papers.

Signal and *Tchogeerrah* staffers attended the annual KEMPA conference held at the UW-Whitewater. The day consisted of various activities to broaden journalism students' knowledge about the field. The 1982 *Signal* won an award for excellent feature writing.

Adviser Mr. Gail Roub stated that the staff had increased to twenty members, with only seven underclassmen. "With more people to divide up the work, things go a lot easier. We could still use more help on the staff," sports editor Brian Abendroth stated.

Raising money to publish the paper, the staff solicited local businesses asking them to buy space for advertisements. The journalism staff supplied approximately 30 clients with ads for either 8 or 12 page editions costing $250 or $500-600 respectively.

Headed for a day of planned activities, the school's two journalism classes took a field trip to Madison. A tour of the state's capitol, sitting in on a press conference with Governor Dreyfus and watching the movie "Chariots of Fire" occupied the day.

Concentrating on getting her paste-up for the December issue done before the deadline, senior Lynn Beckman measures the pictures and copy on her layout.

Contemplating what to write in her latest copy assignment for the upcoming issue of *The Signal*, junior Natalie Wright looks through pages of her information.

Covering the action at a girl's swim meet at Jefferson, *Signal* sports editor Brian Abendroth focuses his camera, ready to snap a picture as the gun is shot.

Announcement of Homecoming queen highlighted the first issue of the *Signal*. Sally Zentner smiles as she finds out that she will reign over Homecoming events.

SIGNAL — Front Row: Bob Weh, Bus. Mgr., Kevin Long, Kiersten Frey, Adv. Gail Roub, Ed. Katie Breitsprecher, Roger Rumppe, Eric Bachar. **Second Row:** Erika Niemeier, Mimi Black, Heidi Bachar, Debbie O'Neil, Lynn Beckman, Beth Plambeck, Kurt Schwartzenbart. **Back Row:** Trianna Wulfkuhle, Natalie Wright, Brian Abendroth, Rick Dexter, Jeff Arnold.

During the journalism field trip to Madison, Signal staffer Katie Breitsprecher listens as Senator Barbara Lorman and Governor Lee Dreyfus answer questions.

Yearbook chooses "Part of the Package"

Yearbookers worked around the theme, "part of the package." The staff chose this theme because the construction's inconvenience and the school's necessary adjustments all became a part of the final package, the new school.

Part of the package for the *Tchogeerrah* staff included the loss of a work room. With construction starting, yearbook staffers moved out of the old work room and into the new at Emery school.

Edited by Hilda Bos, the 1982 *Tchogeerrah* earned two first ratings from NSPA and CSPA and All-Columbian merit for its theme and structure, coverage and copy, and treatment of cover.

Traveling to the State Capitol in Madison, the *Tchogeerrah* and *Signal* staffs met with Governor Lee Dreyfus and attended a press conference. Previously, the group met with Senator Barbara Lorman to take a tour of the Capitol.

The school's and students' adjustments to the construction all became part of the final package, the new school.

Eating lunch on State street and shopping took up most of the lunch hour. Afterward, the group took in a movie, "Chariots of Fire," at the Stage Door theater, then headed back to the school.

Several staff members took time out of their summers to attend yearbook camps to increase their writing and photography skills. "It was a really good opportunity to practice the fundamental skills involved in yearbook," commented Patti Wanie.

Spending two weeks at Ball State University, Editor Peggy Merrick and Photo Coordinator Saddy Newell attended sessions to plan the books, Business Manager Laura Letcher participated in management classes.

Sue Ackerman, Michelle Kern, Shelly Leslie, and Patti Wanie also spent a week at the Kempa workshop at UW-Whitewater. They worked on basic layout styles and photography skills.

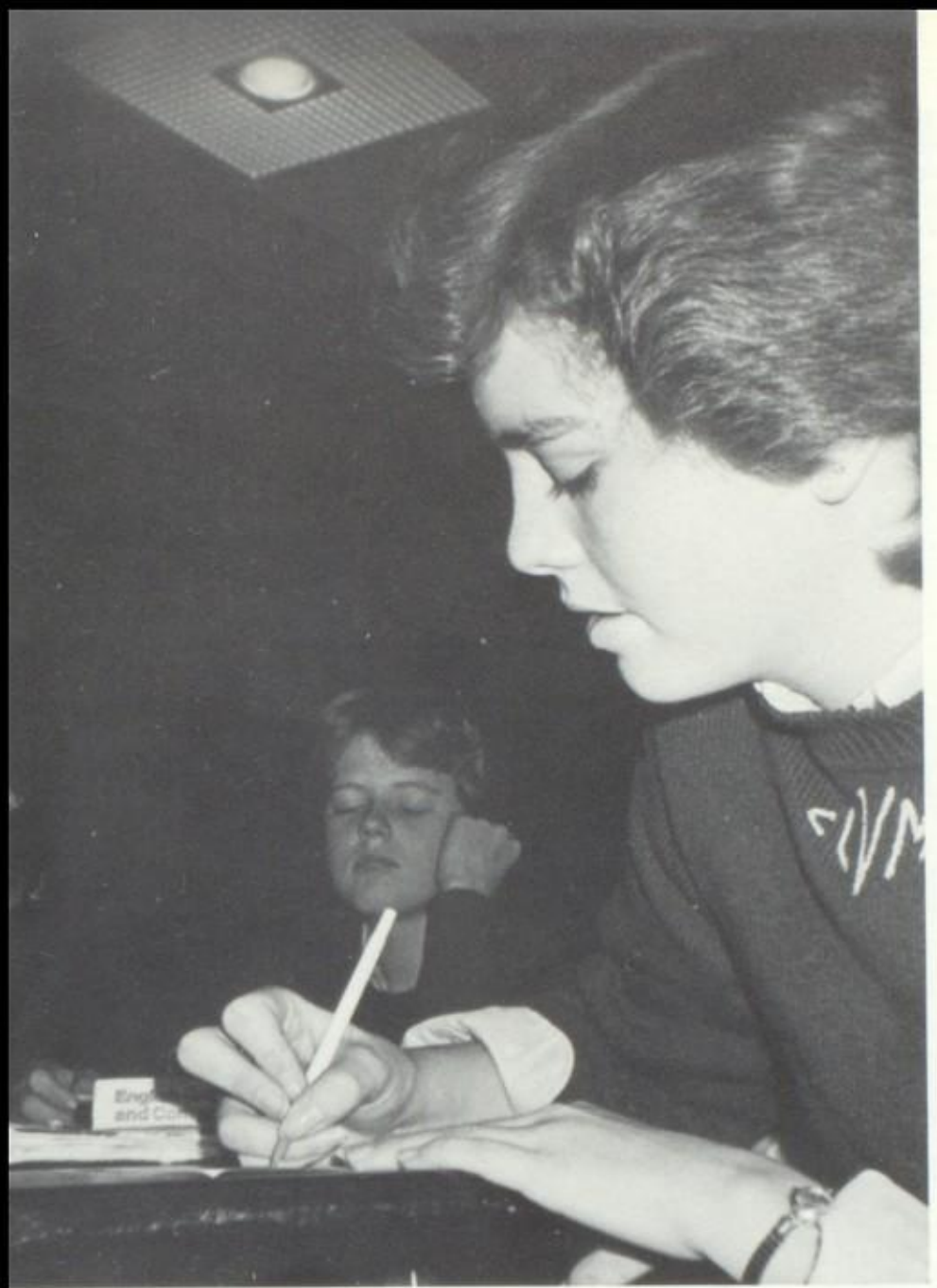
Copy made its way through many channels before receiving its final okay, from section editor, to editor, to adviser. Adviser Jan Kohls insisted, "Good copy is not written; it is rewritten."

In order to meet the spiraling inflationary costs of producing a yearbook, a decision to increase the price of the book by one dollar brought in added revenue. Car washes and bake sales also brought in a little extra money.

After the slide-tape presentation in the activity room, Lisa Vorlob contemplates whether or not to have her name engraved on her copy of the 1983 *Tchogeerrah*.

Striving to create the perfect layout Patti Wanie and her roommate Chris Weinart attend one of the advanced sessions at the Kempa summer journalism workshop.

Hilda Bos. 1982 editor, presents the dummy-award to Sue Fairfield. The award went to the staffer who contributed most and received least acclaim.



Front Row: Adv. Jan Kohls, Assoc. Ed. Sue Fairfield, Ed. Peggy Merrick, Photo Coord. Sandy Newell, Bus. Mgr. Laura Letcher. **Back Row: Section editors:** Brent Yaeggi, Allison Hedin, Jo Bauer, Mike Manley, Shelly Leslie, Michelle Kern.

Front Row: Mindy Heussner, Heidi Wangerin, Sue Ackerman, Patti Wanie, Tammy Timm, Shirley Jung. **Back Row:** Mark Rawding, Dave VanSchoyck, Steve Koenig, Marc Pernacciaro, Jill Winiarski.

Practicing a spot on the song "What I Did For Love," senior trumpet player Mark McGowan strives to play it the right way during his third hour band lesson.

Flag line Squad leader Kris Brule practices a routine to the song, "I've Got the Music In Me," during a marching band rehearsal fifth hour on the football field.

Junior percussionists Bruce Wadmen and Sara Karlin take some time out to stretch their arms and legs during Band Day held at Camp Randall Stadium in Madison.

Band participates at UW-Madison's Band Day

Participating in the University of Wisconsin, Madison, annual Band Day on September 25 gave Blackhawk band members a chance to play along with bands from all over the state and observe a Wisconsin Badger football game.

Buses left from the high school at 7:45 a.m. for the journey to Camp Randall where they practiced together with the 49 other bands until the start of the game against the Toledo Rockets.

Fund raisers kept band members busy throughout the school year. Selling magazine subscriptions, again the top money maker, brought in a record profit of $4000 for the band booster program.

Blackhawks travel to Camp Randall Stadium joining approximately 50 other state bands to entertain Badger Fans.

Other band activities included the spring candy sale, the Pops concert and a magazine sale. Band and Wind Ensemble members also performed at the high school's annual Christmas and Spring music concerts.

With paper selling for five dollars per ton, the March 1982 paper drive netted only $66.10. Band director Grayson Babcock felt the profit wasn't worth all the work involved.

Fort High's Blackhawk band and Wind Ensemble held its own band clinic on May 13, 1982. Dr. Stanley Finck from the University of Whitewater worked with both bands as a judge and a critic. He listened and gave his advice.

That night, at the Spring concert, Dr. Finck conducted for the band and Wind Ensemble. Drummer Doug Wangerine noted, "The day was a good learning experience for everyone in the band."

Band members play the song "Stars and Stripes" under the direction of band director Grayson Babcock during the Rock Day Ceremony in front of the high school.

Percussion, Front Row: Heidi Bachar, Bruce Wadman, Sara Karlin. **Back Row:** Joe Kern, Brent Yaeggi, Doug Wangerin, Tom Kenny.

Low Brass, Front Row: Paula Choichois, Don Schantz, Kathy Goodman. **Back Row:** Paul Klug, Bill Merrick, Jeff Bickle, Scott Catron.

Cornets, Front Row: Kim Austin, Kevin Becker, Diane Taylor. **Second Row:** Jim Kyle, Mark McGowan, Joyce Meske, Scott Riggs. **Back Row:** Mike McGrain, Mike Wallace, Roger Rumppe, John Nell.

Flag Line and Rifle Squad, Front Row: Mary Gordon, Tammy Hopp, Peggy Schinke, DeAnna Anderson. **Second Row:** Dixie Lueder, Cathy Stroede, Kris Brule, Sandy Carmichael, Meg Amundson. **Third Row:** Karen Wollangk, Bonnie Grischow, Elizabeth Haney. **Back Row:** Kathy Schultz, Kim Schultz, Justine DeFries.

In their first marching opportunity of the year, Drum major Bob Weh leads the Blackhawk band through the streets of Fort Atkinson during its Memorial Day Parade.

Perfecting their marching technique, the Blackhawk band practices under the supervision of marching director Donn Gasner before the Memorial Day Parade.

Blackhawks march in three summer parades

Parades in Jefferson and Fort Atkinson witness Blackhawk marching band's talent in their summer parade schedule.

Over 90 percent of the Fort Atkinson High School band participated in the annual solo and ensemble competition held this year at James Luther Junior High School. Bands from the area performed at the contest held in March.

Over the summer vacation, the Blackhawk marching band played at three parades. Fort Atkinson's Memorial Day Parade, on May 24, provided the band their first marching opportunity of the year.

On August 15, the Blackhawk band next marched in the Fort Fest Parade. Second year marching band director Mr. Donn Gasner led the band in front of the hometown crowd in the yearly festival.

Later in the summer, the band marched in Jefferson's Gemuetlichkeit Parade held on September 19. The Blackhawk band placed third behind opposing bands from Milwaukee and Milton, respectively.

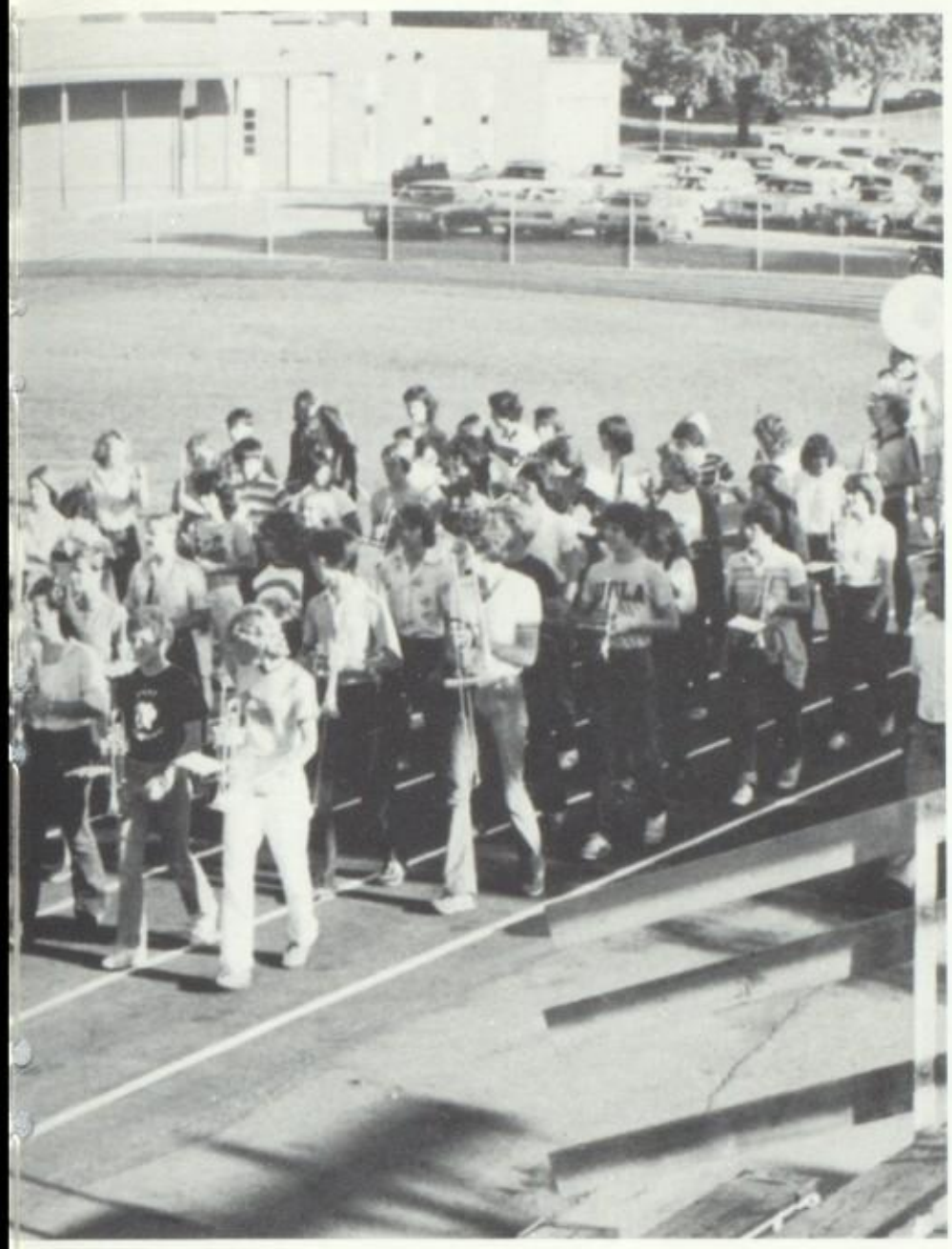
Again this year, the High School Pom Pom squad performed together with the Blackhawk marching band. In the fall, the two groups displayed their coordinated routines during the halftime programs of the home football games.

Along with the Pom Pons, the Rifle and Flag squad also continued to perform with the Blackhawk band. The football halftime festivities consisted of the band, Pom Pon squad, and Rifle and Flag squad's combined appearances.

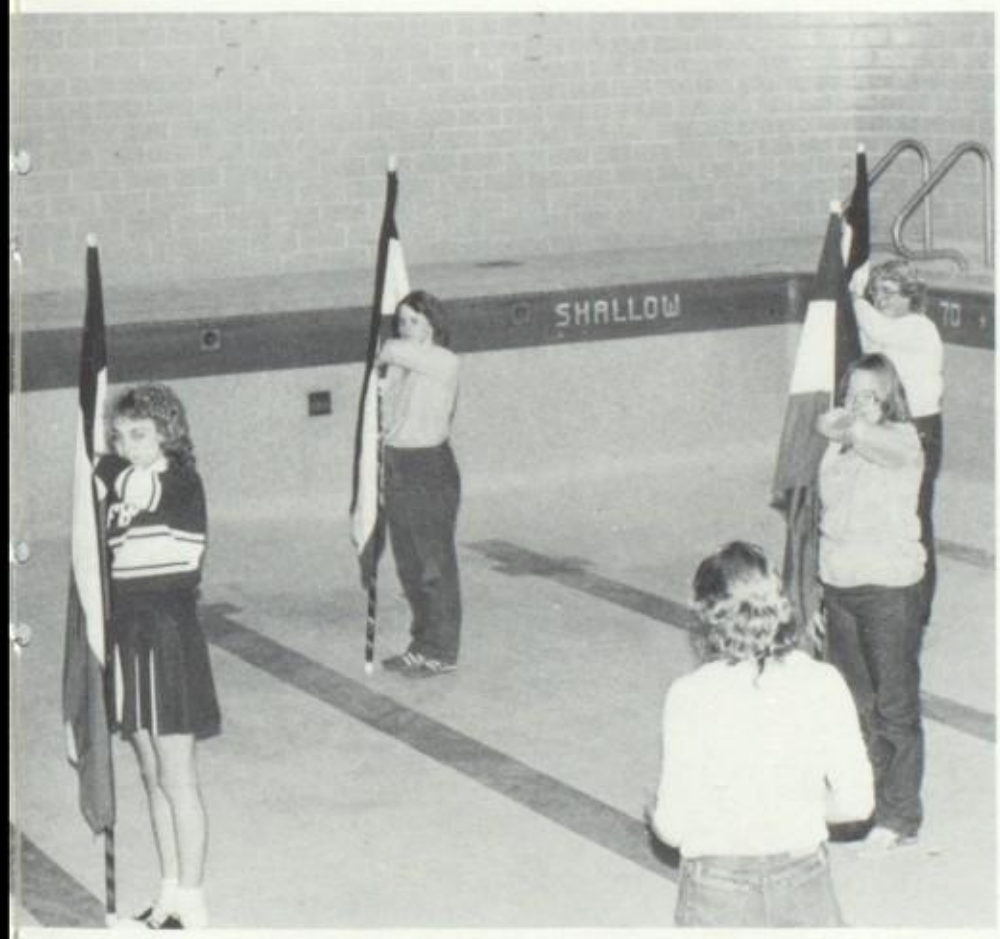
Membership in this year's Blackhawk marching and concert bands shrank from the previous year's total. Enrollment in the two bands produced a combined force of 83 participating members.

Construction also hampered the progress of the band at times. One rainy evening, while searching for a suitable playing area, the flagline resorted to practicing in the emptied swimming pool

Dust and noise from the construction interfered with the band's classes. Baboock looked forward to the new music department with a larger rehearsal area and nine individual practice rooms.



Second year marching band director Mr. Donn Gasner looks over the Blackhawk band in its final preparations before the season-ending football game.



Working on a new routine, rifle and flag line members Kris Brule, Tammy Hopp, Kim Schultz, Peggy Schinke, and Cathy Stroede resort to using the emptied pool.

Saxophones, Front Row: Vickie Vail, Sue Feller, Rhonda Reinel. **Back Row:** Kurt Schwarzenbart, Todd Knox, Jason Steffen, Brian Tinberg.

Clarinets, Front Row: Gabby Penfield, Lisa Schantz, Karen Findlay, Jackie Jones, Linda Abendroth. **Second Row:** Laura Olsen, Tom Ayers, Tracy Strand, Gwen Benoy. **Back Row:** Kristy Niederwerfer, Jana Cromer, Jeff Foster, Heidi Henning, Julie Anderson.

Flutes, Front Row: Holly Anton, Penni Bundick, Gina Gruetzman, Kerry Bundick. **Second Row:** Lisa Olsen, Diane Derleth, Heidi Wangerin, Laurie Hagner. **Back Row:** David Rutherford, Heidi Stauffacher, Sue Ketter, Jenny Penfield, Chris Hoene.

As Allison Hedin tries to catch her breath, girls' track coach Mr. Steve Hovel congratulates her on her performance in the mile run at the Fort Invitational.

Varsity softball first baseman Sue Zentner receives coach Mr. Paul Olson's observations of strategy against the Blackhawks opponents, the Monona Grove Eagles.

At the Koshkonong Mounds, the boys' cross country team starts their more than three mile run. After competing, tired, aching muscles often plagued athletes.

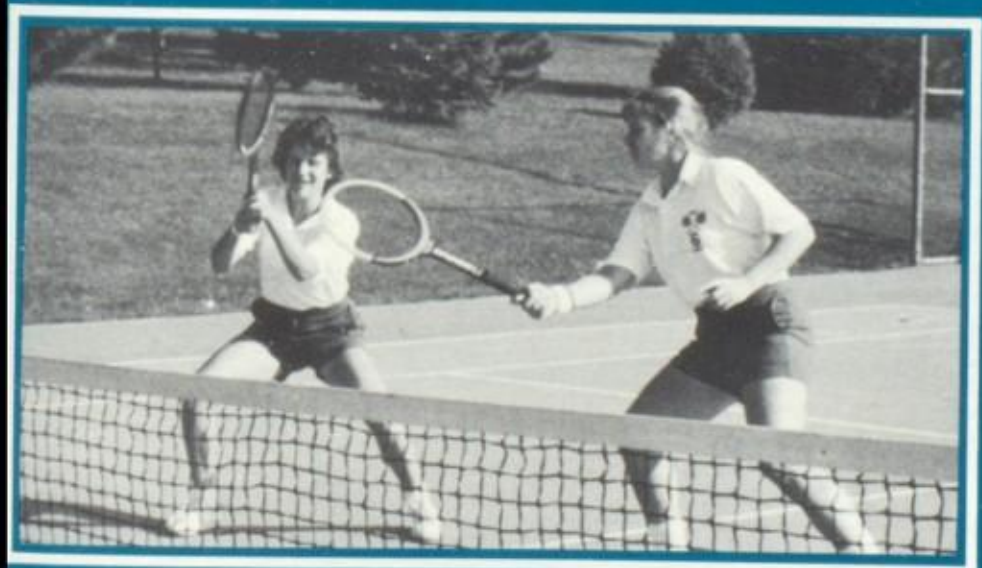
Senior Rick Dexter completes one of the many drills designed to improve upon football skills. Athletes accepted tough practices as part of the sports package.

Varsity football cheerleaders Kathy Goodman and Penni Bundick celebrate the Blackhawks victory over Stoughton in the final game of their cheering careers.

Sports

. . . part of the package

Grueling workouts designed for Olympians lasted from four o'clock until??? The excruciating pain when an arm broke, an ankle sprained, or a muscle pulled all emerged as part of the package. Running for a seventy-yard touchdown or scoring the final-second winning basket left an exhilarating feeling. The embarrassment of missing a serve plagued the minds of some FHS athletes. Being chosen as the team MVP or included on the All-Conference roster yielded a feeling of pride. Losing the title haunted some teams, while others rejoiced at their season's success. The sports package brimmed over with both surprises and let-downs, something athletes understood as an integral part of sports involvement.



Attempting to relieve some tension prior to a home match at the Rock River courts, Beth and Gwen Benoy practice their backhand and forehand strokes.

At a home game against Sauk Prairie, sophomore third baseman Amy Bates uses a mighty swing in hopes of scoring a run for the Blackhawks as teammates look on.

Crouching in ready position, junior first baseman Sue Zentner concentrates on the path of a groundball during a game against the Monona Grove Silver Eagles.

Baseball finishes high in record-smashing year

Compiling a record number of wins in a season, the baseball team finished third in conference, with a season record of 9-7. "The team had an excellent record playing with just four returning letterwinners and two seniors on the team," cited head coach Dan Roahen.

Al Koeppel and John Offerdahl led the Hawks in pitching. Koeppel broke two school records, pitching fifty-one innings and hurling fifty-nine strike-outs.

In the team's best game, at Monona, Fort hit six homeruns, breaking the cold spell of none since 1981. Rightfielder Dave Van Schoyck slugged the first of the season's seven at Monona.

Five team members earned Special All Conference recognition. Offerdahl, Koeppel, and Scott Jordan received Honorable Mention, Van Schoyck earned Special Mention, and Brian Dostalek nabbed All Conference recognition, as well as being named Most Valuable.

Playing with only four returning letterwinners, the girls' softball team finished the season with a 6-6 conference dual record, and placed second in Conference.

Debbie Langholff, the team captain, broke three school records. The first she broke by pitching the first no hitter ever. By throwing ten strike-outs in one game, Langholff broke another, to increase her total season strike-outs to sixty-four.

Breaking the school records, MVP Nancy Buerger, slugged six doubles during the season, adding to her total of thirteen during her high school career. Named All Conference Outfielder, freshman Dina Eighmy earned Special Recognition, and Team Batting Champ.

"The team had an excellent record with just four returning lettermen and two seniors." — Dan Roahen

1982 Boy's Baseball

Fort		*Opponent*
4	Sauk Prairie	3
18	Oregon	8
10	Monroe	4
10	Monona Grove	8
1	Middleton	12
8	Jefferson	9
3	Stoughton	10
7	Sauk Prairie	8
9	Oregon	5
49	Monroe	8
16	Monona Grove	4
0	Middleton	1
2	Jefferson	0
5	Stoughton	8
3	Hartland	6

Overall-record 7-8
2nd Badger Conference

1982 Girls' Softball

Fort		*Opponent*
1	Sauk Prairie	0
3	Waterloo	5
4	Monona Grove	2
1	Middleton	2
4	Delavan	5
5	Stoughton	4
7	Sunk Prairie	0
10	Oregon	4
5	Oregon	5
4	Monroe	0
18	Monona Grove	1
1	Monroe	4
4	Middleton	3
0	Stoughton	14
7	Lake Geneva	4
0	Delavan	3

Overall-Record 9-7
3rd Badger Conference

After winning the 1982 Regional over Lake Geneva Badger, Blackhawk teammates congratulate each other. They went on to end their season, losing to Delavan-Darien.

BOYS' BASEBALL — Front Row: Brian Dostalek, Dave VanSchoyck, Brent Yaeggi, Pete Syens. **Second Row:** Steve Neubert, Al Koeppel, Scott Ciske, Rick Taylor, Head Coach Dan Roahen. **Back Row:** Coach Rich Frame, John Offerdahl, Scott Jordan, Mike Manley, Greg Gaber.

GIRLS SOFTBALL — Front Row: Debbie Langholff, Patti Lange, Nancy Buerger, Dina Eighmy. **Second Row:** Jane Messmer, Chris Mode, Sue Zentner, Gina Schroeder, Kris Klemme. **Third Row:** Linda Vogel, Patti Wanie, Amy Bates, Sue Ketter, Kim Marshall. **Back Row:** Head Coach Paul Olsen, Coach Ray Britson.

Gliding over a hurdle in a dual meet against Mukwonago, Kirsten Larson sprints her way to a first place finish while teammate Colly Marquart closely follows.

Attempting to improve her previous mark and attain the longest jump, junior Dixie Hupke plunges into the sand pit during a home meet against Jefferson.

BOYS' TRACK — Front Row: Dean Hollenbeck, Andy Koehler, Todd Homann, Tony Zick, Mark Bollinger, Joe Zelten, Geoff Fehr. **Second Row:** Jim Koehler, Scott Riggs, Russ Nathan, Jerry Quaerna, Mike Smrekar, Jim Schlender, Jim Wollangk. **Third Row:** Don Huttner, Dave Quinn, Chris Gillette, Rick Jooss, Jim Smith, Tom Kenny, Bill Notbohm, Tim Hershman. **Fourth Row:** Karl Gorski, Tim Goihl, Pete Baio, Brad Simonson, Steve Bohn, Tom McCulloch, Robbie Welter. **Fifth Row:** Curt Walling, Britt Jewel, Scott Catron, Dan Allen, Jim Wegner, Brian Grandt, Mike Hoeckstra, Mike Patrick. **Back Row:** Coach Al Waldmann, Coach Dave Krause, Head coach Bob Noll, Coach Tom Tahlier, Coach Terry Kramer.

GIRLS' TRACK — Front Row: Peggy Sykes, Heidi Hinz, Lori Edwardson, Karen VanderMause, Wanda Hathaway, Kelly Nowakowski, Donora Hollenbeck. **Second Row:** Amy Landowski, Kirsten Larson, Colly Marquart, Sondra Matson, Judy Hathaway, Julie Spaanem, Erika Niemeier. **Third Row:** Heidi Wangerin, Renee Erickson, Becky Riddell, Laura Hartwig, Dixie Hupke, Allison Hedin, Jenny Penfield, Karen Wollangk. **Fourth Row:** Coach Terry Kramer, Linda Abendroth, Margaret Nelson, Linda Hollenbeck, Renee Hake, Lori Koch, Shelly Poole, Julie Sommerfeldt. **Back Row:** Head Coach Steve Hovel, Coach Dave Krause, Amy Kenny, Heidi Bachar, Renee Behselich, Manager Sue Zick, Coach Tom Tahlier, Coach Al Waldmann.

Hawk tracksters triumph at Invitationals

For the third consecutive year the girls' track team, under the coaching of Steve Hovel, succeeded in claiming the title of L-Cat relay champions. Adding to their success, the girls also earned the sectional championship.

"No other team has won three straight championships in the history of the L-Cat relays. We've shown for three years in a row that we're the best team there," boasted Hovel. Finishing just six events due to inclement weather, the Hawks scored 29 points.

Finishing second in the Fort Invitational, the girls shattered four school records and set two meet records. Junior Kirsten Larson hurdled her way to record times of :15.6 and :50.2 in the 100m and 300m lows, respectively.

Establishing a meet record in the 400m relay, Heidi Hinz, Judy Hathaway, Peggy Sykes and Kelly Nowakowski ran for a time of 50.4. The girls also combined for a first place in the 800m relay.

At the state meet the 400m relay placed third with a 49.3 time. The 800m relay finished fifth in 1:46, and Donora Hollenbeck placed sixth in the shot put. They finished third in the conference.

"We had a very satisfying season with a lot of accomplishments," declared boys' track coach Bob Noll of the 1982 season. Winning the Delavan-Darien Borg Invitational and placing third in the Badger conference meet named just two of those accomplishments.

Scoring in every event but two, the Hawks compiled 110 points in the Borg events. Brian Grandt established a meet record in the high jump with a winning bound of 6-6 and Dean Hollenbeck leaped his way to two victories in the 120 high and 330 low hurdle races.

Fort's Invitational ended with Monona Grove as the victor with 130 points. The Hawks placed second with 98½. First place finishers included Grandt in the long jump and high jump and Mark Bollinger, Jim Smith, Bill Notbohm and Tom Kenny in the 400m relay.

Producing one conference champion, the thinclads placed third in the Badger conference meet. Grandt earned two first place medals in the high jump and the long jump. With a conference dual record of 2-4, the Hawks finished fourth in the final standings.

Seniors Kelly Nowakowski and Dean Hollenbeck nabbed the MVP awards for the girls and guys squads. Renee Erickson received recognition as the Rookie of the Year, and the boys named Mark Bollinger as Honorary Captain.

"No team has won three straight championships in the history of the L-Cat relays." — Steve Hovel

Girls Track

Fort		*Opponent*
51	Monona Grove	40
68	Lake Mills	58
72	Lakeside	51
100	Jefferson	23
80	Mukwonago	43
48	Monroe	75
78	Monona Grove	44
65	Johnson Creek	35
54	Oregon	67
55	Middleton	58
70	Sauk Prairie	52
70	Stoughton	52

2nd Badger Conference

Boys' Track

Fort		*Opponent*
32	Monona Grove	67
40	Oregon	65
71	Lake Mills	56
88	Lakeside Lutheran	39
79	Jefferson	48
95	Mukwonago	32
51	Monona Grove	90
87	Monroe	54
64	Oregon	73
55	Middleton	81
85	Sauk Prairie	54
48	Stoughton	92

3rd Badger Conference

Racing neck and neck against a Hartland Arrowhead opponent, sophomore Tom Kenny strives to pull ahead and break the tape in the final stretch of the 100m dash.

CROSS COUNTRY — Front Row: Mindy Heussner, Amy Landowski, Patty Nichols. **Second Row:** Mark Riggs, Lara Moritz, Julie Spaanem, Judy Hathaway, Renee Erickson, Terry Armstrong, Mike Riggs. Coach Bob Noll. **Third Row:** Ron Sebranek, Carl Gorski, Rick Jooss, Tim Goihl, Jim Koehler, Don Huttner, Tim Hershman, Curt Walling. **Back Row:** Jim Wollangk, Steve Bohn, Chris Gillette, Bill Last, Don Bartol, Pete Baio.

Pacing a pack of varsity runners during the Mukwonago Invitational, Most Valuable Runner Jim Koehler and Tim Goihl attempt to maintain their early lead.

GOLF — Front Row: Rod Bell, Todd Schoen, Ron Sebranek, Kevin Becker. **Back Row:** Coach Carty Monahan, Tom Johnson, Kris Kamrath, Jeff Rossing, Steve Spaanem.

Golf team claims Regional titles; runners acquire new trainer

"After losing five of our better golfers and dropping the close meets, the team lost enthusiasm," stated golf coach Carty Monahan. "This was my most disappointing year out of 12 years of coaching." The team compiled a one and five record for the season.

By missing the Jefferson Invitational title by only one point and winning their last conference meet, the Blackhawks spirits lifted. They then took third in the Badger Conference Meet, and claimed the Regional championship before losing in the Sectionals.

Returning lettermen on the squad included Todd Schoen, Dave Hooyman, and captain Kris Kamrath. The Most Valuable Player, senior Tom Johnson, claimed the lowest average of the season, 41.3, compared to the record of 37.9

"In my first year as cross country coach I felt we improved both boys and girls teams," observed coach Bob Noll. "We showed signs of potential and that we are a team of the future." In conference finals, the boys finished fifth while the girls placed sixth.

Finishing thirteenth with a time of 17:31, Tim Goihl led the boys to a fourth place finish in the Fort Invitational. Highlighting their season, the girls posted a 27-32 victory over Madison Edgewood. Renee Erickson placed first in the dual meet in 13:16.

At sectionals, Jim Koehler finished twelfth in 17:53 while Rick Jooss placed eighteenth in 18:18. Noll remarked, "We ran as well as could be expected. Jim Koehler went out strong, showed what he could do and got a decent time."

Letterman Todd Schoen attempts to determine what direction his putt will break on the thirteenth green during practice at the Koshkonong Mounds Golf Course.

"In my first year as coach I felt we improved both teams." — Bob Noll

Golf

Fort		*Opponent*
218	Jefferson	233
218	Milton	235
235	Jefferson	229
235	Lake Mills	241
227	Sauk Prairie	222
224	Jefferson	224
224	Lake Mills	222
226	Monroe	223
225	Monona Grove	
186	Watertown	212
186	Cambridge	178
173	Milton	195
173	Lake Mills	178
215	Middleton	179
225	Stoughton	218
		203

2nd Jefferson Inv.
1st Regionals
3rd Badger Conference

Boys' Cross Country

Fort		*Opponent*
31	Stoughton	25
32	Oregon	23
26	Middleton	29
24	Monona Grove	31
25	Sauk Prairie	32
54	Monroe	15
23	Madison Edgewood	33

5th Badger Conference

Girls' Cross Country

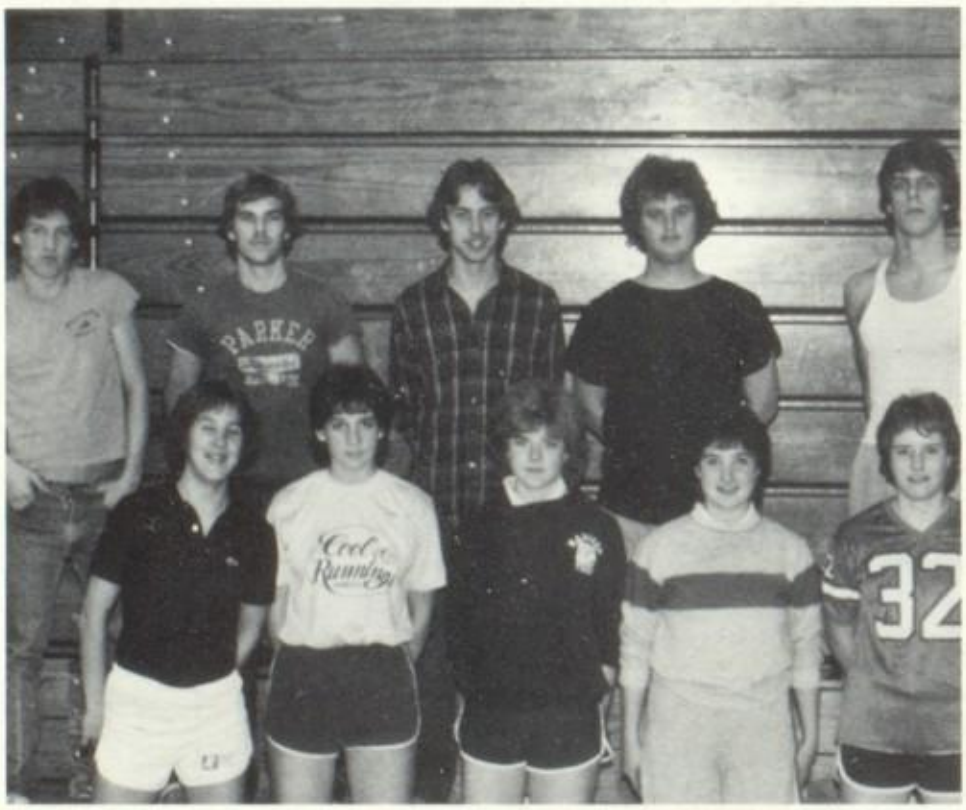
Fort		*Opponent*
36	Stoughton	32
32	Oregon	26
51	Middleton	16
18	Monona Grove	45
42	Sauk Prairie	17
50	Monroe	15
27	Madison Edgewood	32

6th Badger Conference

Voted Most Valuable by her fellow runners, sophomore Renee Erickson lengthens her stride while concentrating on the finish line at the Mukwonago Invitational.

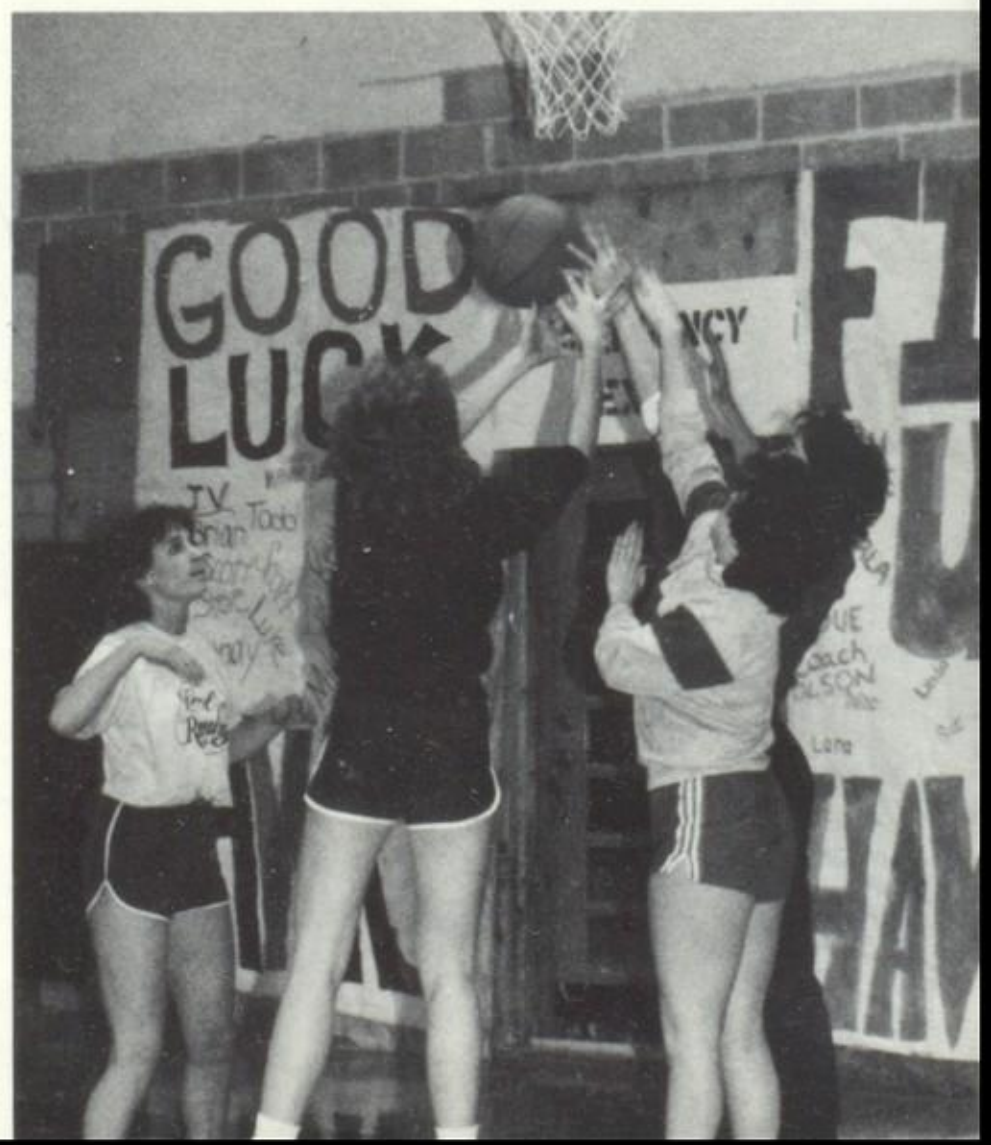
A member of Bad Boys, a division II team, junior Ron Sebranek, after receiving a pass from Paul Klug, maneuvers his way around Redmen opponent Ron VanderMause.

After being fouled by a basketball Dropout opponent, Senior Jill Kruyne, a member of B.A.R.F., shoots two free throws in hopes of earning points for her team.



Basketball Dropouts, Front Row: Sue Zentner, Colly Marquart, Heather Henning, Michele Meier, Kris Klemme.

Menswear's Men, Back Row: Pat O'Donnell, Dave VanSchoyck, Jim Scherdin, Rick Dexter, Jim Hollenbeck.



Menswear's Men Win in Newly Aligned League

Due to an increased interest in the boys' division of the intramural basketball program, director Mr. Bob Noll divided a twelve-team field into three divisions. Separated according to the previous season's records, each division consisted of four teams.

Menswear's Men captured the boys' title with a perfect 10-0 record. Team captain Pat O'Donnell explained their successful season, "We won consistently because four of us had played together since ninth grade, and we knew each other's limits and abilities."

Lack of interest in the girls' program allowed the Basketball Dropouts to easily snatch the girls' championship. "Most of the teams quit after halftime because we were usually ahead by 20 points or more," cited Kris Klemme.

"Intramurals are important because they give students a chance to participate in activities outside the classroom," declared Noll. "The program was very successful this year, everyone seemed pleased with the new format."

Members of the boys' varsity basketball team handled the officiating for both the boys' and girls' games. Mike Manley jokingly commented, "It's a thankless job, but somebody had to do it."

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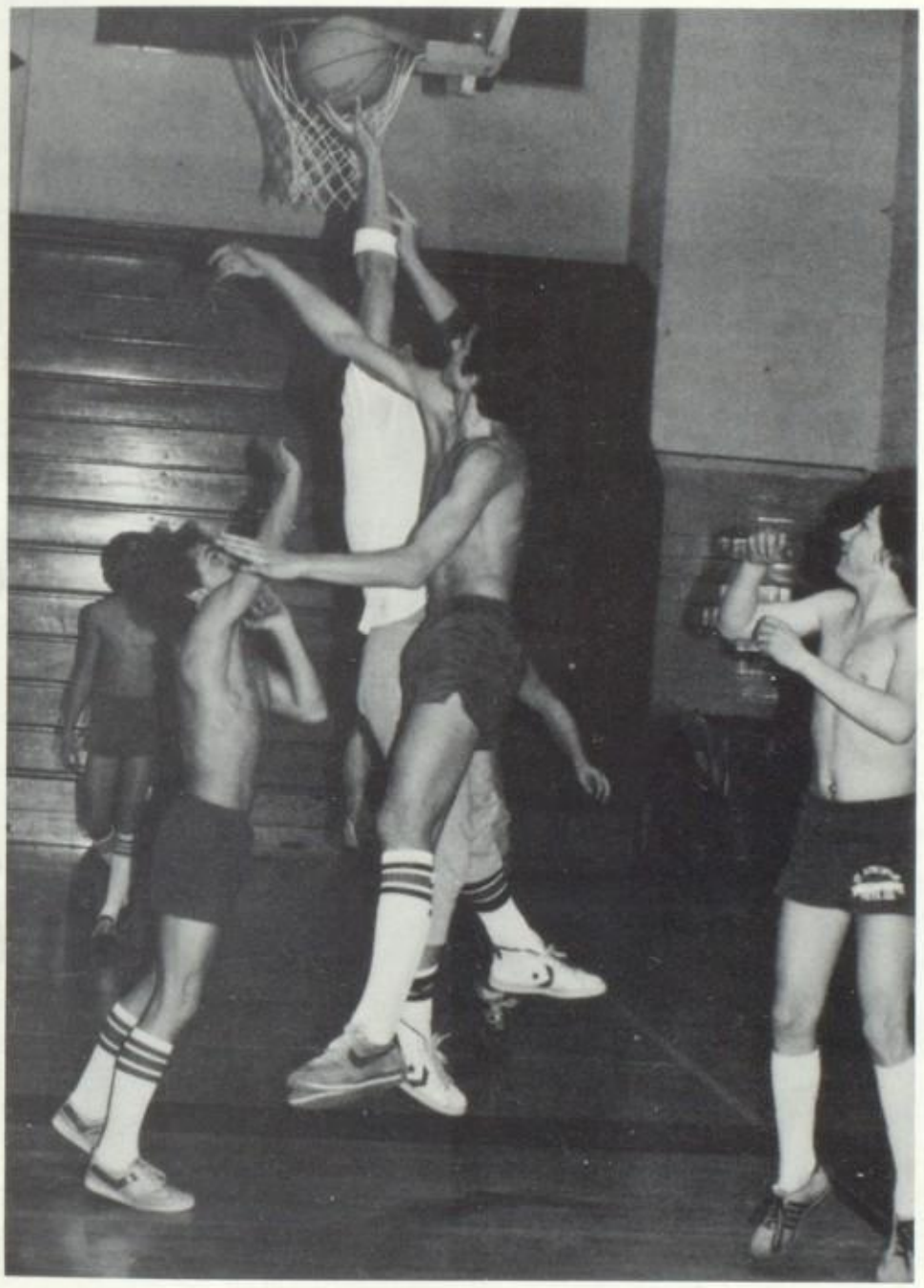


After a shot by Colly Marquart, members of the undefeated Basketball Dropouts and members of the Valley Girls struggle for a rebound, during the first half.

Because their opponents quit at halftime, the Basketball Dropouts play against each other. Kris Klemme tries to block Jill Winiarski's pass to Michele Meier.

Moving down the left side of the court, sophomore Scott Pundsack looks for one of his Space Cowboy teammates to lose his defender and break open for a shot.

Senior Jim Hollenbeck of Menswear's Men goes up strong against the Space Cowboys' Brent Heffron for a tip-in score as Space Cowboy Jimmy Jung helps play defense.

Girls' tennis nabs second; boys place high in Janesville

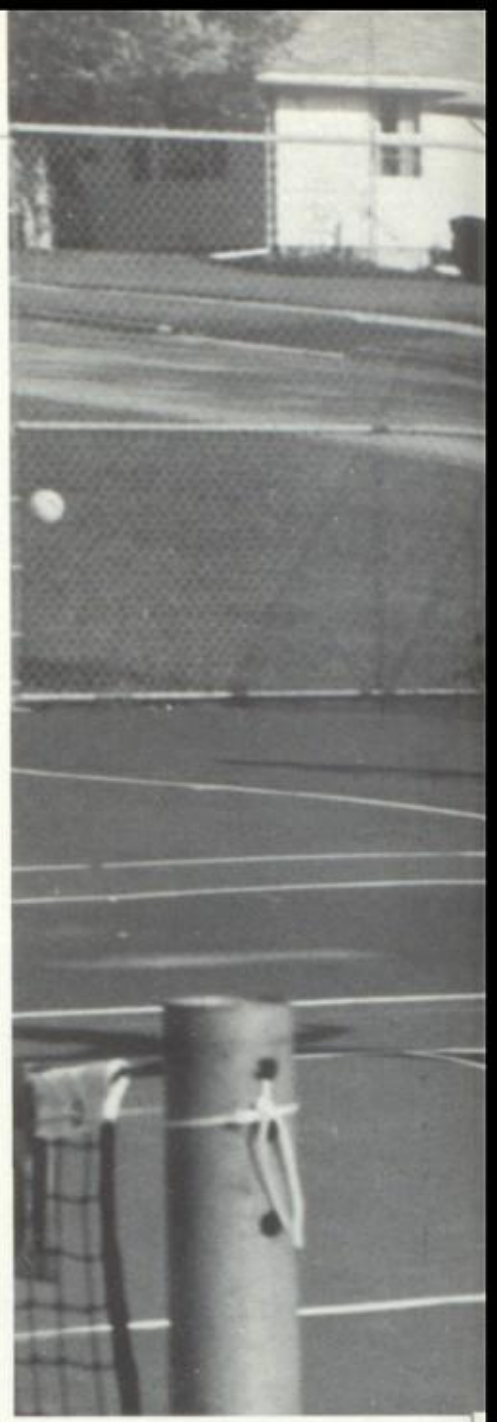
Scoring 18 points in the Badger Conference meet, the girls' tennis team placed second behind Middleton. "I was pleased with our finish and with our overall season," noted Coach Vern Jordan.

In the number one singles position, Sue Zentner placed second as did Debbie Porter in the number two singles position. The girls ended their season with a 5-1 conference dual record. "Any time you can go 9-2 in duals and finish a strong second, you've got to be happy," remarked Jordan.

In the boys' first meet of the season, the netters defeated Milton by a 5-3 margin. "It's nice to get that first win. The boys were happy with that, and it gives them confidence and encouragement," stated Jordan.

Finishing second in the Janesville Quadrangular highlighted the season. Strong singles performances by Scott Erdman at the number one position, Scott Engstrom at number two, and Mike Nysather at number three helped the Hawks nab a surprise second place.

Fort ended the season with a 2-4 conference record. Playing the number one singles position, Erdman earned the MVP title. Engstrom received Rookie of the Year award. The girls voted Sue Zentner Most Valuable, while Gwen Benoy earned Rookie of the Year.



In a Badger Conference match against Stoughton, number two singles player Debbie Porter utilizes her forehand technique to return the ball to her opponent.

"I was pleased with our finish and with our overall season," — Vern Jordan

1982 Girls' Tennis

Fort		Opponent
8	Stoughton	1
8	Monroe	1
7	Monona Grove	2
0	Middleton	9
9	Sauk Prairie	0
9	Oregon	0
9	Jefferson	0
6	Milton	0
6	Beloit Memorial	5
5	Edgerton	4
2	Lake Mills	7

2nd Badger Conference

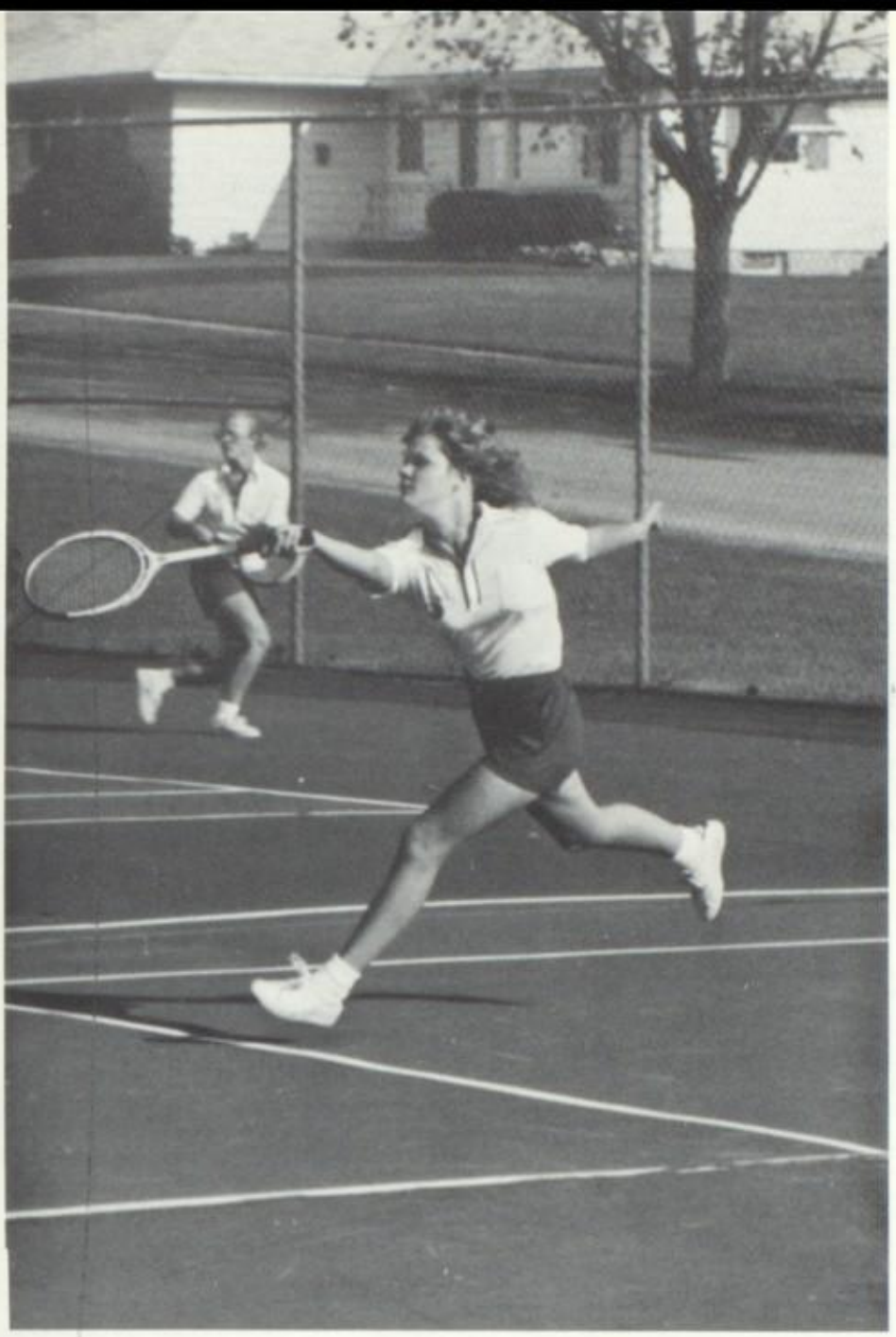
1982 Boys' Tennis

Fort		Opponent
7	Sauk Prairie	2
9	Oregon	0
0	Monona Grove	9
2	Middleton	7
2	Stoughton	7
3	Monroe	6
6	Jefferson	3
5	Milton	5
0	Whitewater	9
9	Lake Mills	0
2	Watertown	7

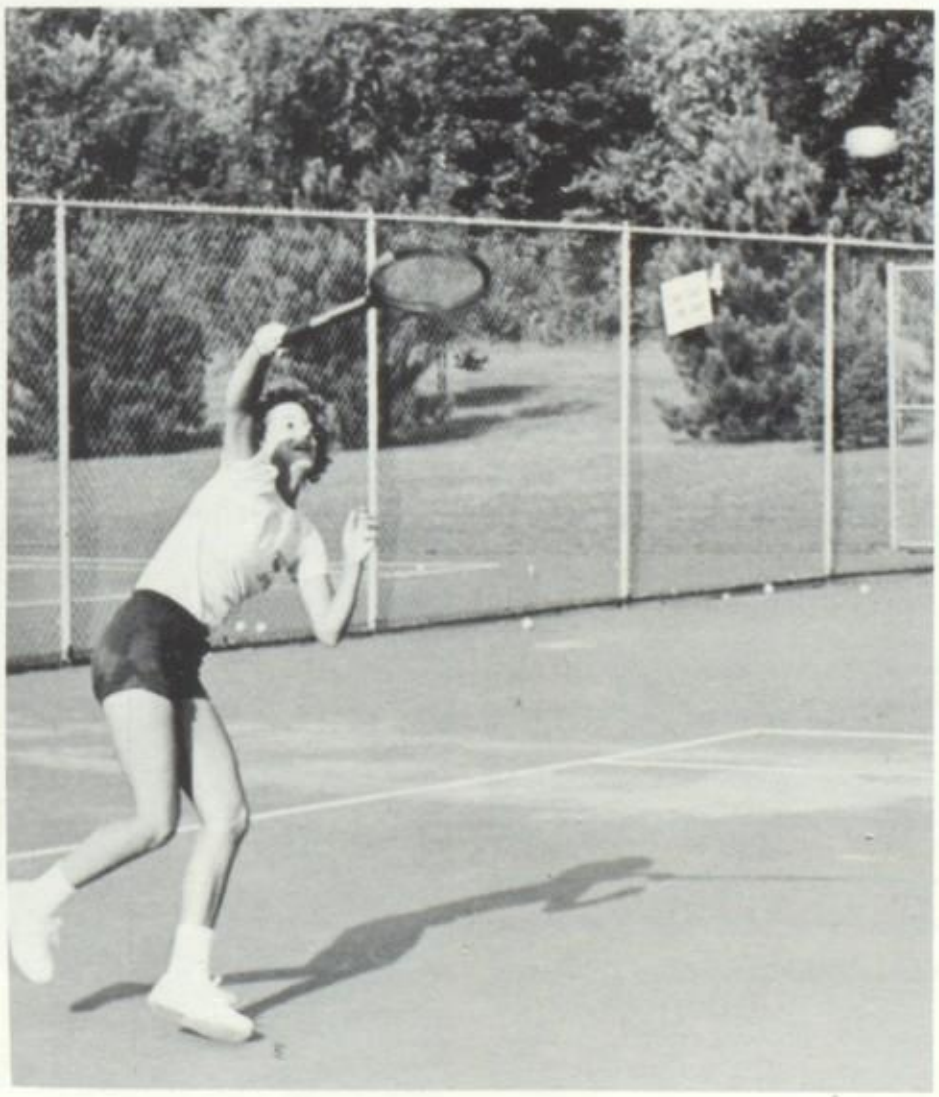
5th Badger Conference

Boys' Tennis, Front Row: Steve Westphall, Don Schantz, Mike Nysather, Scott Erdman, Scott Engstrom, Todd Jansen. **Back Row:** Coach Vern Jordan, Ron Schultz, Brian Abendroth, Harman Bos, Doug Wangerlin.

Concentrating on the ball, Mike Nysather crouches in his attempt to return a shot hit with his backhand swing. He played in the number three position in singles matches.



Girls' Tennis, Front Row: Gwen Benoy, Jenny Jones, Lisa Rupnow. **Back Row:** Coach Vern Jordan, Beth Benoy, Sue Zentner, Debbie Porter, Laura Letcher.



Practicing her tennis skills at the Rock River courts, number one singles player Sue Zentner reaches high to return an overhead smash to her awaiting teammate.

Playing in the number two position, Scott Engstrom stretches to return a shot, hit by his opponent from Sauk Prairie, at the Rock River tennis courts.

Injuries deplete Hawk squad; Smrekar nabs all-conference

Fort gridders struggled through a disappointing, injury-filled season. Despite being decimated by injuries, the Hawks still managed competitive play in the Badger Conference. The Hawks went 1-5 in conference action and finished with a 3-7 overall record.

Team MVP and all-conference linebacker Mike Smrekar led the Blackhawks. Smrekar, a junior, led the team in tackles and got voted to the WHSFCA all-district defensive team at linebacker. He grabbed 14 passes, earning special mention all-conference at end.

Smrekar disclosed, "This year was a disappointment as far as reaching team goals, but I'm really looking forward to next year because this team has the talent to go a long way if we can stay healthy for the whole season."

Honorable mention all-conference honors went to five Blackhawk players; offensive tackle Pete Syens, junior defensive tackle Matt Hutchinson, junior running back Tom Kenny, junior defensive back Steve Neubert, and quarterback Brent Yaeggi.

Team awards included Syens, most valuable offensive lineman; Hutchinson, most valuable defensive lineman; Kenny, most valuable offensive back; Neubert, most valuable defensive back; Yaeggi, most improved and Rick Taylor, rookie of the year.

Smrekar, Syens, and Yaeggi served as tri-captains for the season. Yaeggi commented, "We had unlimited potential but all the injuries we had really slowed our progress. But no one can say we didn't give 100% every game."

Fort's finest effort of the year came at home in their finale against Stoughton. The Hawks gained 289 total yards and scored 26 points, their highest totals of the year for one game.

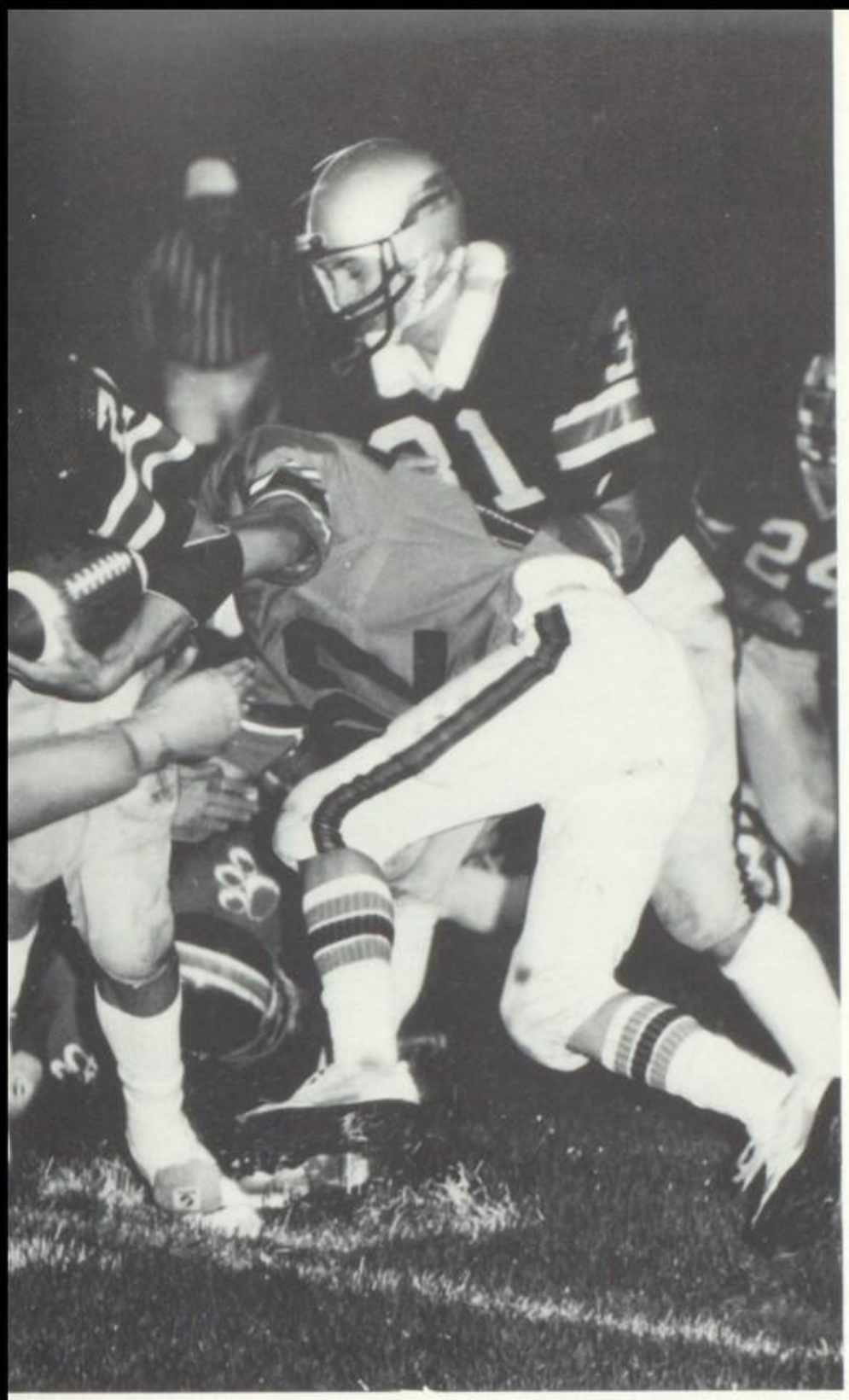
"We had potential; no one can say we didn't give 100%." — Brent Yaeggi

Varsity Football

Fort		*Opponent*
7	Sun Prairie	34
7	Jefferson	6
21	Milwaukee South	7
6	Sauk Prairie	26
0	Oregon	7
16	Monroe	24
7	Monona Grove	17
0	Middleton	40
7	Madison Edgewood	14
26	Stoughton	6

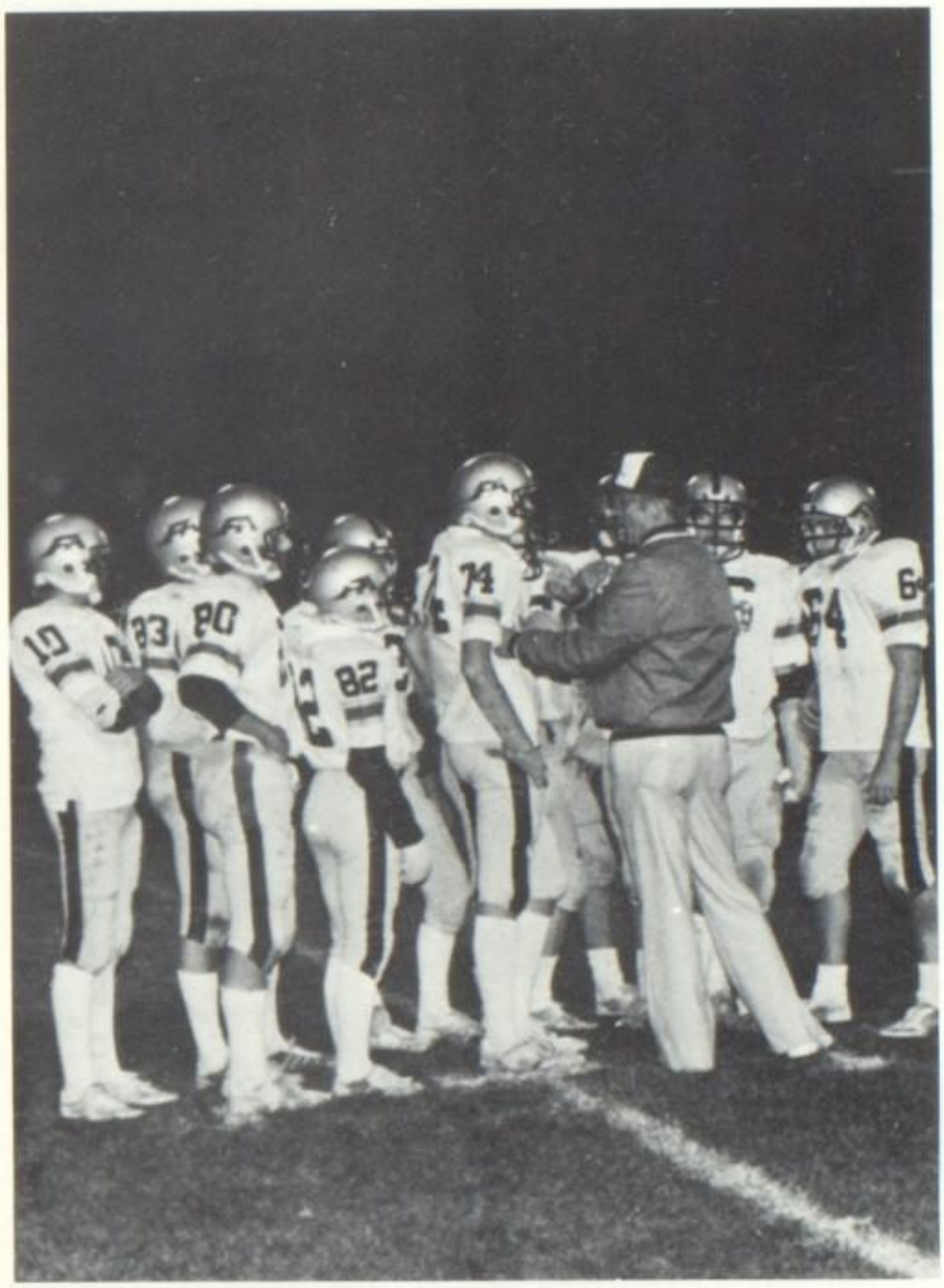
6th Badger Conference

Defensive back Scott Ciske (11) makes a final grab at Oregon's running back before the opposition went in for a touchdown. Fort held Oregon to a 7-0 game.



Running back Tom Kenny (20) follows his blockers and plows through Oregon's defense to gain a first down. Kenny rushed for 806 yards during the season.

During a time-out at Middleton, Head Coach Glen Borland instructs junior tackle, John Meilke (74), and the defense as to their strategy. Fort lost the game 40-0.



Varsity Football, Front Row: Mike Drew, Mike Forester, Steve Heinz, Manager Randy Farnsworth, Rob Erickson, Steve Lenz, Scott Riggs. **Second Row:** Assistant Coach Dave Krause, Ben Bernard, Bill Notbohm, John Nell, Dave VanderMause, Manager Jim Glass, Tom Gerondale, Roger Uhe, Kirk Nelson, Greg Gruber, JV Coach Bill Simon. **Third Row:** Assistant Coach Steve Hovel, Bill Lang, Tom Kenny, Ron VanderMause, Head Coach Glen Borland, Scott Ciske, Gianni Frittoli, Dave VanSchoyck, Jim Smith, JV Coach Jim Dunham. **Fourth Row:** Mike McGrain, Frank Weiss, Pete Syens, Joe Quaerna, Brent Yaeggi, Mike Wallace, Rick Dexter, Greg Gaber, Matt Hutchinson. **Back Row:** Rick Taylor, Jim Hollenbeck, Mike Smrekar, John Mielke, Steve Neubert.

Coaches attribute swim team achievements to teamwork

Despite the lack of pool facilities and the forfeiture of diving points in conference meets, the Fort tankers finished with winning records. Fort managed to get adequate practice time in co-operation with Jefferson High School.

By losing to Delevan-Darien, with a score of 57-69, the girls' swim team ended only one dual meet away from a perfect record. "Next year could be the year for Fort to beat Delevan, since they are losing three good seniors," encouraged Coach Vicki Leger.

Sophomore Heidi Wangerin earned the MVP award while Most Improved Swimmer went to Debbie Wadman. Teammates voted Jackie Leslie and Lynda Klemme Rookies while Laurie Jung, a four year letter winner, served as team captain.

"They looked and worked together as a team," praised Leger. Boys' swim coach Dave Korst agreed, "The boys really work well together and help each other perfect their strokes and techniques."

For the first time in the school's history, the boys' swim team took first in the Badger Conference relays. The backstroke relay team of Doug Wangerin, Brian Abendroth, Rod Bell, and Steve Stauffacher smashed the old conference record by twelve seconds.

Four school records were broken during the season, two by Wangerin in the 200 I.M. and the 100 free. The third record occurred in the medley relay with Abendroth, Bell, Stauffacher, and Rob Kern. Stauffacher also set a record in the 100-yard backstroke.

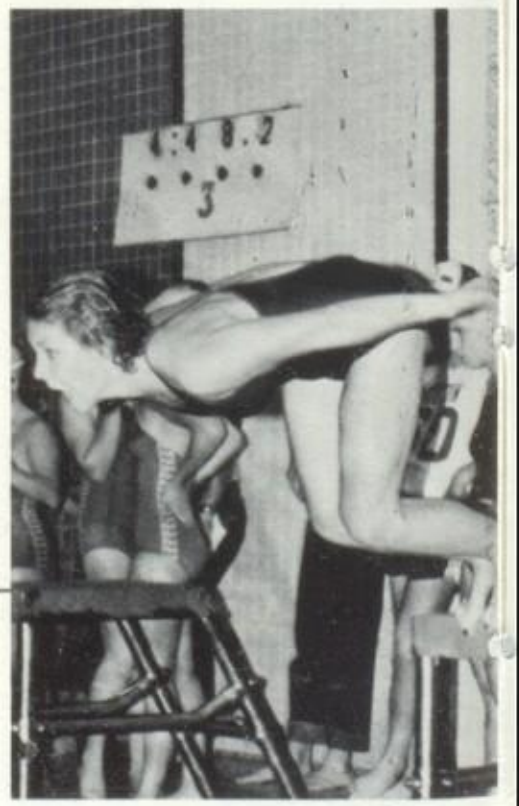
Stauffacher and Wangerin both finished first in conference competition, Stauffacher in the 100 yard backstroke, and Wangerin in the 200 I.M. and the 100-yard freestyle.

Wangerin, a four year letter winner, earned the title of MVP while freshman Steve Stauffacher won the Rookie of the Year award. The Most Improved Swimmer award went to junior Dave McIntyre.

"The boys really work well together and help each other . . ." — Dave Korst

Fort	*Boys' Swim Team*	*Opponent*
74	Sauk Prairie	42
88	Edgerton	20
77	Milton	39
75	Wayland	38
83	Lake Geneva Badger	32
54	Oconomowoc	62
80	Waunakee	54
63	Delevan	53
73	Beloit	48
75	Jefferson	41

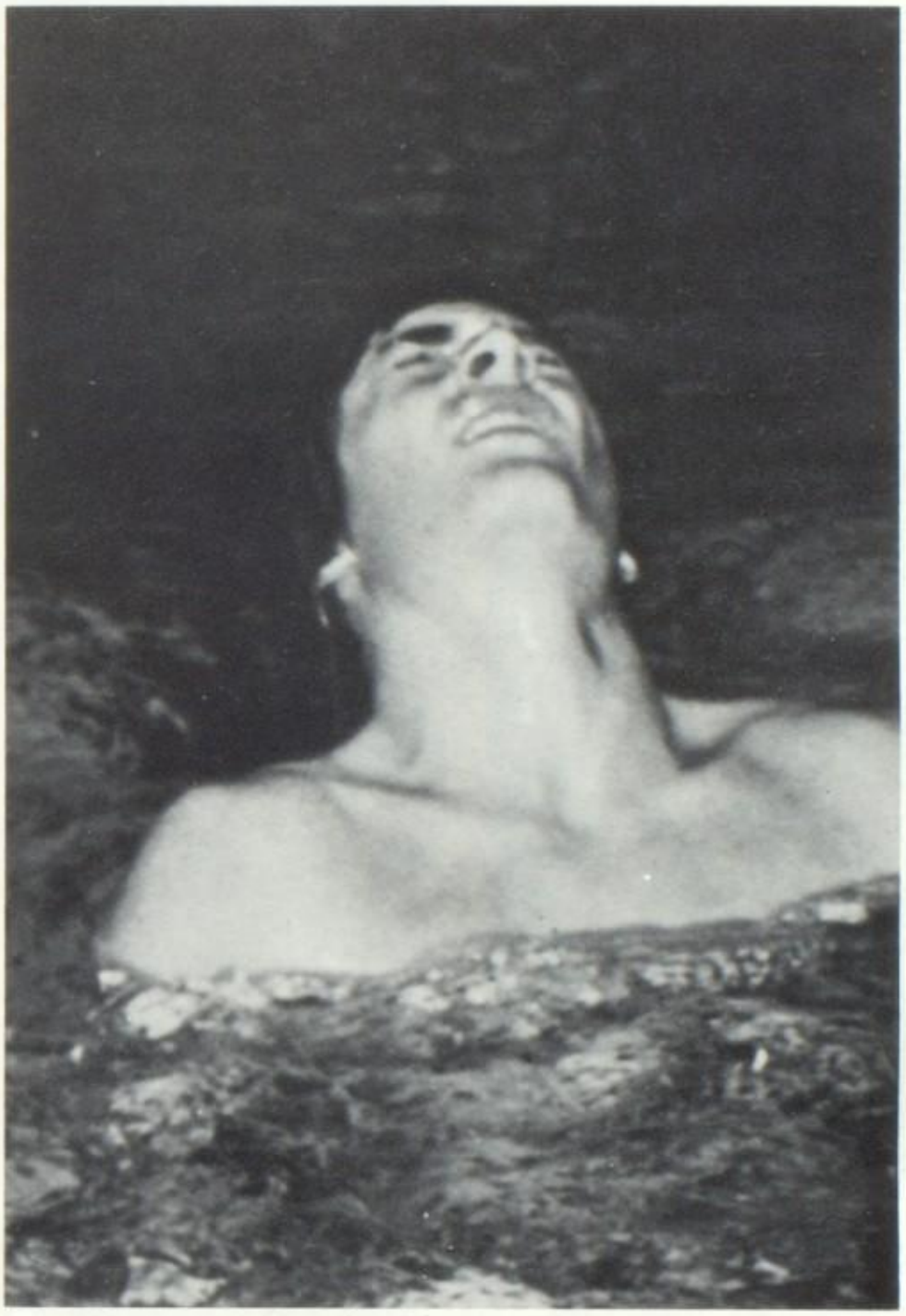
Fort	*Girls' Swim Team*	*Opponent*
81	Sauk Prairie	33
78	Milton	30
83	Edgerton	24
74	Lake Geneva Badger	41
74	Waunakee	42
69	Delevan	57
85	Jefferson	26



Sophomore tanker Linda Abendroth dives off the starting blocks for her leg of the butterfly relay. Fort finished third in the Conference relays held at Milton.

Senior Bob Weh concentrates on the incoming swimmer to assure a good start in the 400-freestyle relay during the non-conference meet at Wayland.

Expressing pain and exhaustion after completing the 500-yard freestyle, junior Dave McIntyre finished third in the event, during the meet against Sauk Prairie.



Girls' Swimming, Front Row: Shelly Leslie, Sue Magsamen, Sara Bickle, Heidi Wangerin, Debbie Wadman, Linda Abendroth, Mary Kern, Tammy Timm. **Back Row:** Laurie Jung, Debbie Klemme, Amy Bates, Gina Schroeder, Jackie Leslie, Lynda Klemme, Jane McGinty, Maria Roahen, Sue Ackerman.

Boys' Swimming, Front Row: Chris Rens, Tom Noll, Steve Stauffacher, Tom Reitinger, **Second Row:** Brian Abendroth, Bob Weh, Mark McGowan, Doug Wangerin, Joe Kern, Rob Kern, Kevin Bare, Bruce Wadman. **Back Row:** Mike Nysather, Rod Bell, Dave McIntyre, Wendell Beckard.

In the final moments of the fourth quarter, Coach Dave Krause stresses the major points of the strategy before sending the Hawks out for a victory over Monroe.

After breaking through Milton's defense, the Hawk's center and leading scorer Donora Hollenbeck shoots to add another two points to the score and her record.

Front Row: Coach Dave Krause. **Back Row:** Kris Jahnke, Patti Wanie, Sue Ketter, Judy Hathaway, Donora Hollenbeck, Shari Last, Carla Zimmerman, Beth Benoy, Amy Bates.

Tensely awaiting their opponents free throw, Sue Ketter (23) and Patti Wanie (13) prepare to fight for the rebound and possession of the ball.

Girls' Buckets Set Seven Records, Gain Second

The girls' basketball team finished second in the Badger Conference with a 9-3 conference record, and a 12-6 overall record. Although the Hawks defeated the conference champions, Oregon, they still finished in second place.

Led by All-Conference choice Donora Hollenbeck, the team set a new game scoring record by whipping the Middleton Cardinals, 83-29. "Hollenbeck worked and moved the ball well, and made her shots count," cited Hawk head coach Dave Krause.

Many personal and school records helped the Hawks to keep the season moving. During the Stoughton game, Hollenbeck scored 32 points, 14 in the last quarter. Amy Bates tied Gayle Gruber's record of ten assists in one game.

Six other records fell at the Middleton game: a record number of free throws made and attempted, an individual free throw percentage set by Bates, and an individual rebound record set by Hollenbeck. The girls also set records for team assists and rebounds.

Coach Krause recognized Sue

Sue Ketter as Rookie of the Year and senior Hollenbeck as the team's MVP. For the second year in a row, Hollenbeck earned the title of unanimous All-Conference.

After four years as coach, Krause announced his resignation. He intended to continue as track and football coach. Athletic Director Don Gruber made no announcement about Krause's replacement.

"Hollenbeck worked the ball well and made her shots count." — Dave Krause

Girls Basketball

Fort		Opponent	Fort		Opponent
51	Jefferson	50	58	Elkhorn	37
44	Whitewater	49	60	Sauk Prairie	53
36	Sauk Prairie	43	53	Oregon	39
42	Watertown	40	55	Middleton	31
29	Oregon	35	48	Monroe	35
33	Monroe	36	70	Monona Grove	35
68	Monona Grove	51	83	Middleton	29
47	Milton	48	50	Janesville Craig	65
58	Stoughton	35	49	Stoughton	42
			50	Oconomowoc	40
			41	Arrowhead	45

2nd Badger Conference

Defending the opponent's basket, guard Kris Jahnke (10) covers her zone against the Monona Grove offense as Amy Bates (32) stays open, ready for a turnover.

Dribbling down the court, sophomore Beth Benoy looks toward center court for an open teammate to pass to, while junior guard Sue Ketter brings up the rear.

Hawk Cagers Earn Badger Conference Crown

By defeating Middleton for the second time, the Blackhawk cagers succeeded in claiming the undisputed Badger conference championship. The Hawks outscored the Cardinals by a 41-39 margin to eliminate the second-place team's chance for a shot at the crown.

Badger conference officials endorsed a new dunking rule, allowing high school athletes to utilize their newly acquired skills. The flashy breakaway play provided a crowd pleaser in the Fort Atkinson stands, igniting the fans as well as the players.

For the first time in 26 years, the Hawks ended a regular season with an unblemished record. Battling back from an 11 point deficit, the Hawks defeated Stoughton to finish with a perfect 18-0 record. The victory marked Coach Don Gruber's 300th career win.

After completing a seemingly perfect season, the Hawks acquired their first loss of the year. That loss came in the second round action of the WIAA Class A regional tournament at Oconomowoc and diminished all hopes of earning a state tournament berth.

In the first round of regional action, the Blackhawks dumped Oconomowoc 52-39, while Watertown defeated Hartland Arrowhead. The following night the undefeated team met their fate. The Goslings overpowered the Hawks 65-58.

"It was a great season but it was five games too short," regretted Al Koeppel. He expressed the disappointment of both the team's and the fans' season-long anticipation of a journey to state.

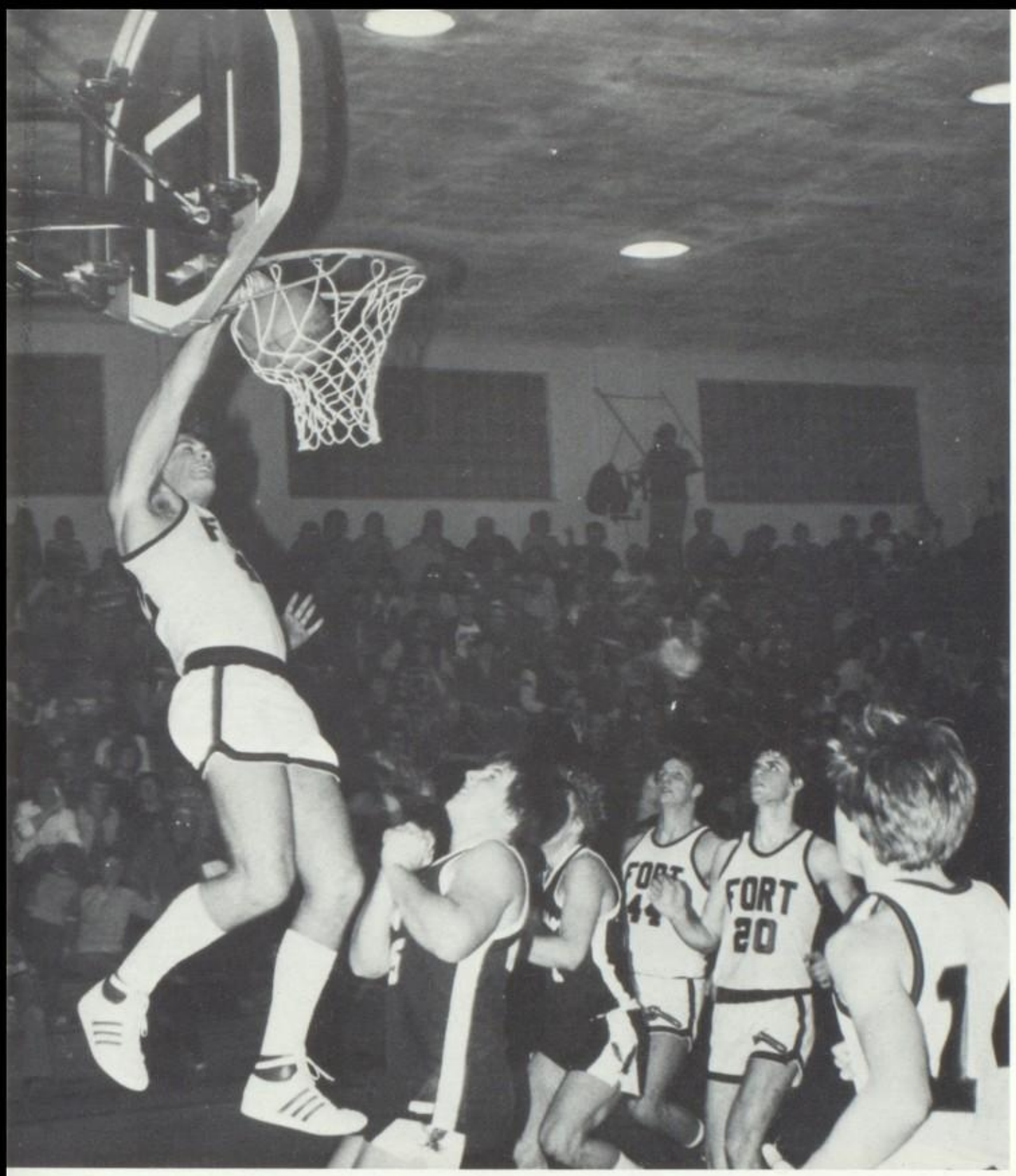
"It was a great season but it was five games too short" — Al Koeppel

Boys' Basketball

Fort		Opponent	Fort		Opponent
55	Jefferson	38	63	Stoughton	49
60	Milton	41	79	Jefferson	51
63	Sauk Prairie	47	68	Sauk Prairie	43
66	Oregon	51	67	Oregon	41
58	Monona Grove	42	70	Monroe	54
52	Monreo	41	63	Monona Grove	51
76	Sun Prairie	53	41	Middleton	39
58	Whitewater	31	63	Madison Edgewood	48
49	Middleton	47	65	Stoughton	62

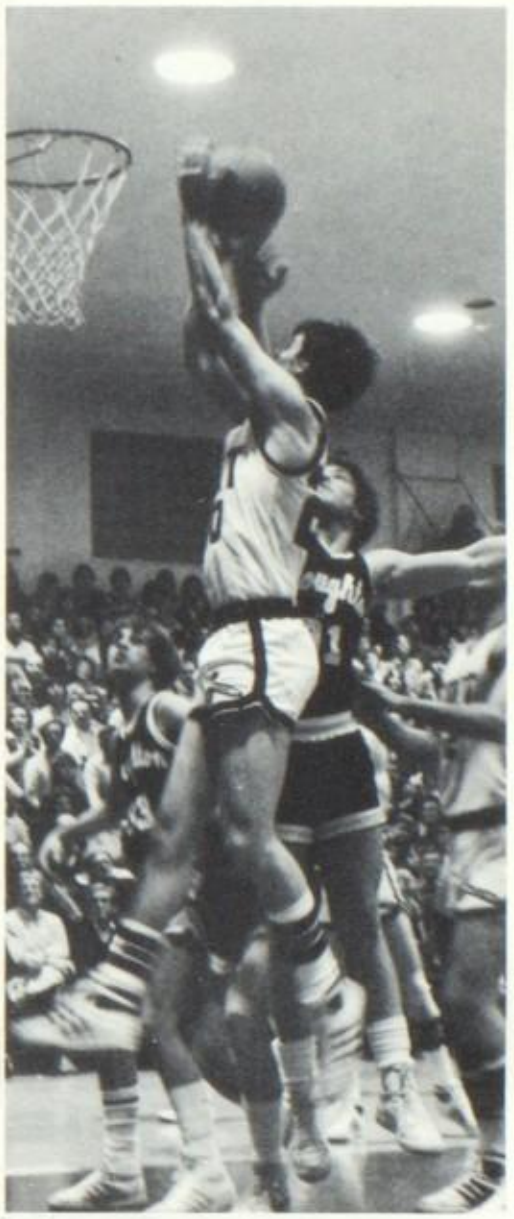
1st Badger Conference

Varsity basketball, Front Row: Managers Randy Farnsworth, Steve Westphall, Ron Sebranek. **Second Row:** Mike McGrain, Mike Wallace, Greg Gruber, Scott Ciske, Steve Neubert, Brent Yaeggi. **Back Row:** Coach Don Gruber, Rick Taylor, Al Koeppel, Mike Smrekar, Keith Neubert, Brian Grandt, Mike Manley, Coach Gary Hamm.



Accumulating 31 points and leading the Hawks to a 79-51 victory over the Eagles, 6'7" forward Keith Neubert slam dunks a shot during a home bout with Jefferson.

During a home game against Stoughton, senior Mike Manley goes up for a jump shot early in the first half, as a Stoughton opponent attempts to block the shot.



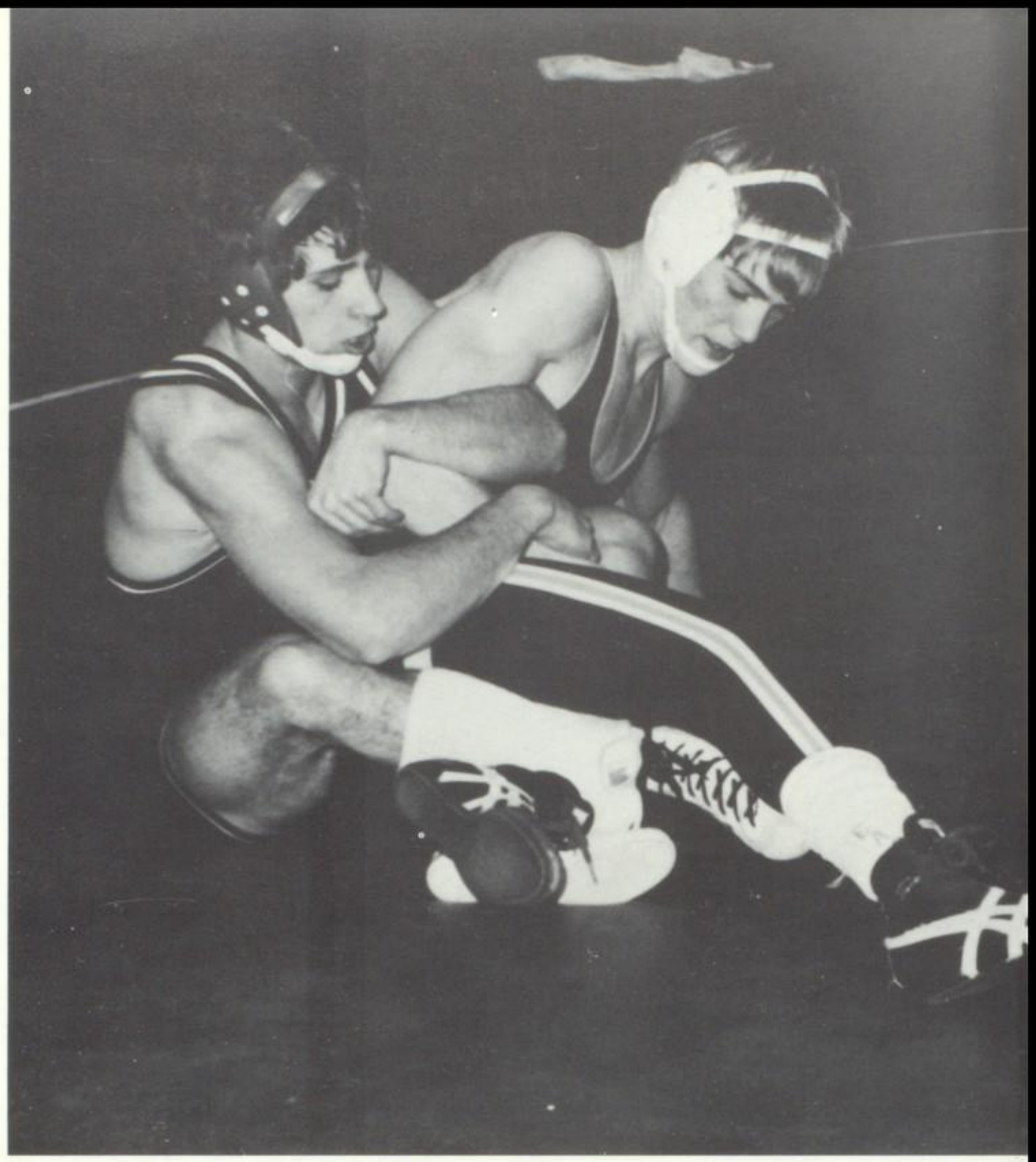
In a game against conference rival Middleton, senior Scott Ciske closely guards his opponent. The Hawks beat the Cards 41-39 to clinch the conference championship.

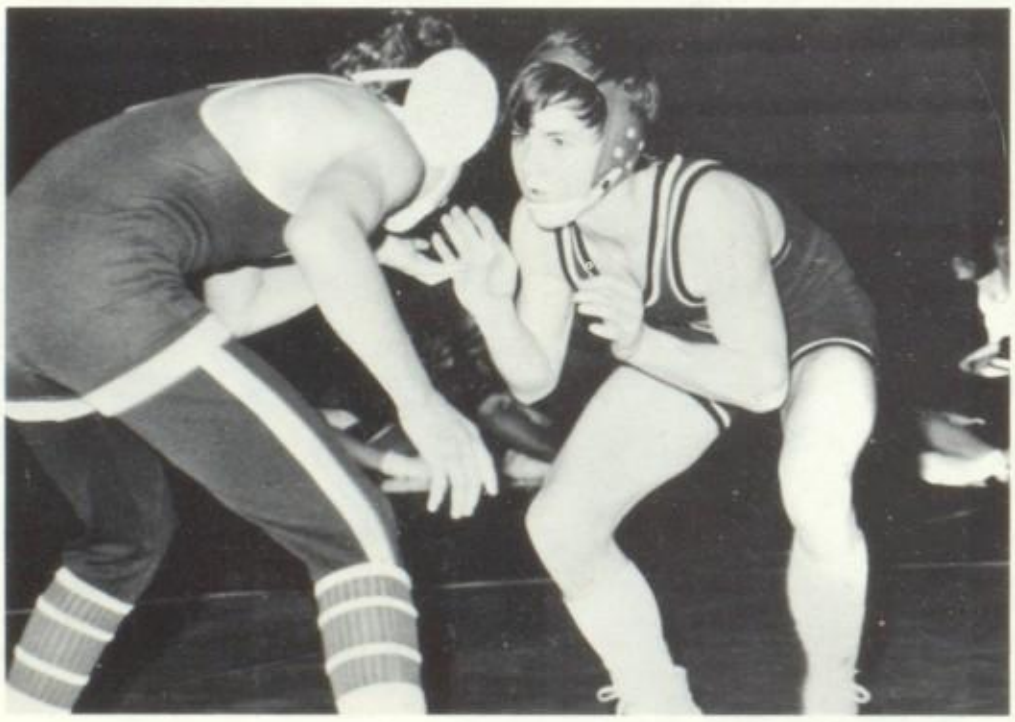
Taking advantage of the newly-installed dunking rule in a home game against Milton, sophomore Brian Grandt exhibits his "slamming" skills for the anxious crowd.

Attempting to regain control of the ball, Brian Grandt, Scott Ciske, and Brent Yaeggi utilize their defensive skills in guarding their Monona Grove contenders.

Steve Lenz attempts to take down his opponent to the mat during their varsity match at 132 pounds. Lenz compiled an overall record of 14 wins and 8 losses.

During a home match, freshman Blackhawk grappler Barry Lueck awaits the OK signal from the referee to take his position on top of his Jefferson Eagle opponent.





Planning his next set of moves, freshman Mark Riggs wrestles his opponent in the 105 pound class. Riggs ended the regular season with a record of 10-7-1.

State qualifier 112 pound Scott Riggs works to pin his Jefferson opponent in an early season match. Riggs became the school's career pin leader during the year.

Wrestlers Produce Two Conference Champions

Blackhawk wrestlers finished second in the Badger conference with a 3-3 meet record and 7-6 overall. Head coach Terry Kramer confessed, "I'm very proud of the way the boys wrestled this season. They scrapped and fought and wrestled with a lot of heart."

Scott Riggs, Jason Fullerton, Frank Weiss, and Stan Sleaver gained berths in the sectional meet after having strong seasons. Fort finished seventh in the Oconomowoc sectional with 31 points.

Fort sent only 112 pound Scott Riggs to state. Riggs became the school's all-time pin leader during the year, sporting a 19-2-1 record. He won the conference title and placed second in both regional and sectional meets but lost in the first round at state.

Two-time state qualifier Riggs capped team MVP honors, and Sleaver and Steve Lens shared the most inspirational award. The most improved award went to Weiss, while Fullerton turned the most reversals, setting a new school record with 32.

Three Hawk grapplers also gained honors by being named honorable mention All-Wisconsin by the **Crossface Wrestling News** edited by UW coach Russ Hellickson. Conference champ Chad McGowan at 98 pounds, Riggs at 112 pounds and Sleaver at 185 pounds gained notice.

Coach Kramer disclosed, "I didn't think we'd do as well as we did this year. A lot of credit for our success has to go not only to the 12 in the varsity lineup, but to the backup guys who worked hard in practice every day."

"I'm very proud: they wrestled with a lot of heart" — Terry Kramer

Wrestling

Fort		Opponent
37	Evansville	27
26	Waterford	30
35	Oregon	24
31	Jefferson	22
15	Monroe	30
35	Milton	31
13	Watertown	53

Fort		Opponent
29	Monroe	24
41	Monona Grove	26
36	Middleton	29
22	Edgerton	33
28	Stoughton	32
13	Sauk Prairie	46

7-6 Dual Meet Record
2nd Badger Conference

Wrestling, Front Row: Jackie Young, Todd Forester, Mark Riggs, Mike Riggs, Barry Lueck, Tom Chapin, Tom McCullough. **Second Row:** Frank Weiss, Jason Fullerton, Kelly Jordan, Steve Heinz, Roger Kokolares, John Merkle, Jamie Lutz, Steve Lenz. **Back Row:** Chad McGowan, Scott Riggs, Jim Wegner, Matt Hutchinson, Stan Sleaver, Kirk Nelson, Dave Quinn.

Girls retain volleyball crown; guys place third

After an exciting match against rival team Stoughton, the girls' volleyball team clinched the 1982 Badger Conference crown. They defeated Stoughton, the conference runner-up, by two points in the third game of the final match of their conference season.

Five returning lettermen helped contribute to the Hawks' winning season. The girls went undefeated in conference and non-conference play, with the exception of the MG Invitational. In Regional play, the Hawks went down to Oconomowoc in their first match.

Sue Ketter, voted MVP by her team, earned honors as a unanimous all-conference pick. Kris Jahnke also received a spot on the all-conference list. Kirsten Larsen, Colly Marquart, Patti Wanie, and Sally Zentner, the other starters, got honorable mention.

Starting out the year in the new Madison Suburban Conference, the boys' volleyball team finished with a 49-30 record for third place. Monona Grove and Madison LaFollette led the conference.

Voted to the First Team All-Conference, sophomore Brain Grandt also accepted the MVP award. Team voting named Al Koeppel, candidate on the Second Team All-Conference, and Mike Manley co-captains, as Brian Dostalek received the Most Improved Player Award.

Invitational meets held in Fort and Waukesha saw the team place second and third respectively. Junior spiker Harman Bos remarked about the team, "We all got along pretty good and played together well. I'm sure everyone agrees that the year was fun also."

Coach Carl Zentner commented about the team's changes and problems during the season, "Because most of the experienced varsity members from the 1981 team were lost to graduation, the athletes this year had to develop skills in a hurry. Our record shows that they did a pretty good job doing it."

"The boys this year had to develop skills in a hurry. They did a good job doing that" — Carl Zentner

Girls' Volleyball

Fort		*Opponent*
2	Whitewater	1
3	Sauk Prairie	0
2	Oregon	1
3	Monroe	0
3	Monona Grove	1
2	Middleton	1
2	Stoughton	1
2	Sauk Prairie	1
2	Oregon	1
3	Monroe	0
2	Monona Grove	1
3	Middleton	0
2	Stoughton	1

1st Badger Conference

Boys' Volleyball

Fort		*Opponent*
2	Baraboo	1
0	Monona Grove	3
2	Madison West	1
2	Madison LaFollette	1
3	Madison Memorial	0
2	Middleton	1
2	Baraboo	1
3	Madison East	0
1	Monona Grove	2
3	Middleton	0
0	Madison LaFollette	3
3	Madison Memorial	0
2	Madison East	1
3	Madison West	0

3rd Badger Conference

Boys' Volleyball, Front Row: Tim Allen, Brian Dostalek, Mike Manley, Eric Bachar, Jeff Arnold. **Back Row:** Jack Kruyne, Harman Bos, Brian Grandt, Al Koeppel, Brian Abendroth, Coach Carl Zentner.

Girls' Volleyball, Front Row: Chris Mode, Jane Baker, Kris Jahnke, Julie Witt, Dixie Hupke. **Back Row:** Coach Bev Killian, Sally Zentner, Patti Wanie, Sue Ketter, Kris Klemme, Colly Marquart, Asst. Coach Vicki Rees.

During the second game of a home match against Monona Grove, Brian Abendroth and Mike Manley jump to block an attempted spike by an opponent.

At a girls junior varsity match, Jill Winiarski bumps the ball up after a serve by the Monona Grove opponent as junior Angie Heiliger anticipates the set.

During a home match against the Monroe Cheesemakers, the girls' varsity volleyball squad takes advantage of a timeout to chant "Let's Go Get 'Em."

The Forgotten Players

Why did benchwarmers stick with sports without ever playing?

Sitting on the pines, riding the bench and collecting splinters named just a few of the expressions describing the overlooked area of varsity athletics most commonly called benchwarming. Benchwarmers showed up on all teams.

Why did these athletes stick with sports even though they didn't get to play? Using a sport to get in shape offered one reason, as senior Frank Weiss elaborated by saying, "I went out for football mainly to get in good shape for wrestling."

Participating to contribute to the team adeed another reason. "Benchers" added to team depth and were needed for scrimmages to prepare for upcoming contests. Also, most "benchers" boosted team morale with the loud vocal support they gave their teammates.

"Benchers" realized that they had specific roles on their teams and they accepted this. Whether they came off the bench to pinch-hit or to play on the kick-off team, they made contributions. Those contributions gave a sense of belonging.

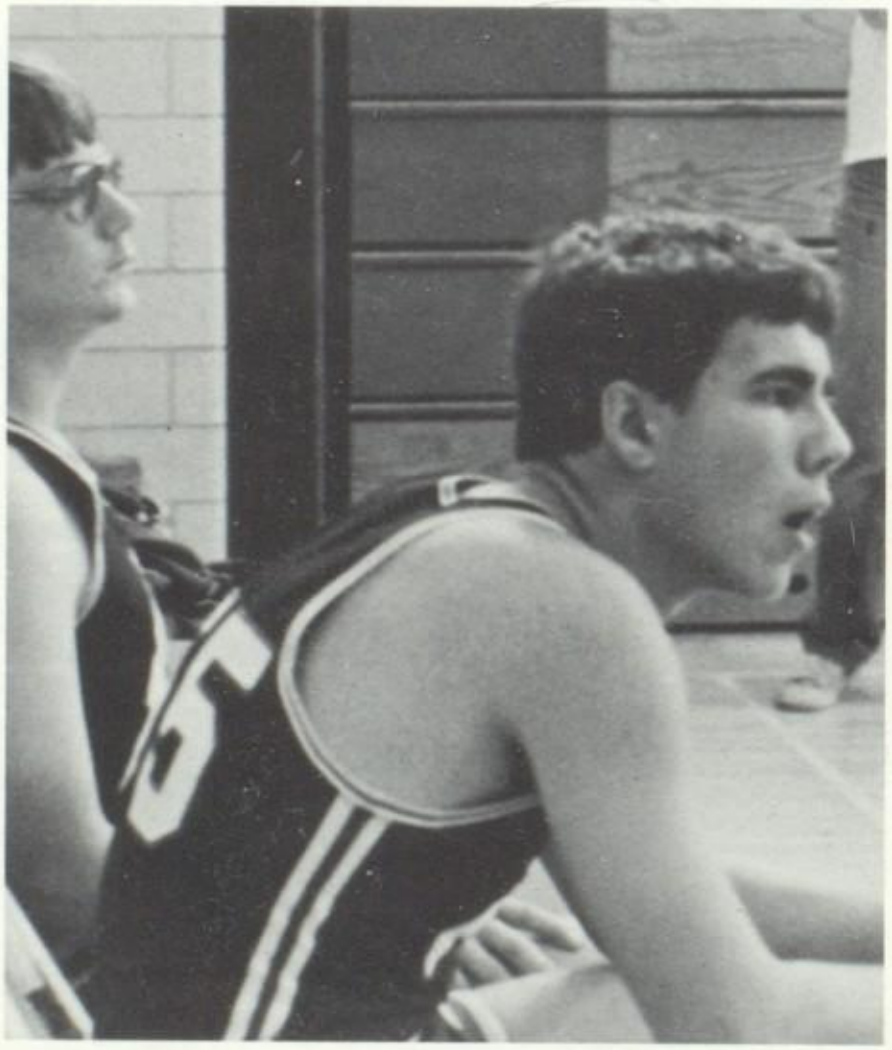
Strong rapport developed between "benchers" and the team "stars." Junior cager Mike Wallace attested to this by saying, "The guys who played a lot didn't treat us badly or any differently. Most of the time they gave us nothing but encouragement and help."

"I think they were all very dedicated, and they helped the team by pushing the starters and running the scout team to prepare us for games." This comment by Pete Syens, a football tri-captain explained the benchers importance to the team.

These statements showed that the general feeling toward benchers consisted of mutual respect and admiration. Benchers asked no special favors and worked diligently in practice, side by side with the starters in maintaining and improving skills.

Statistics alone could not measure the value that benchwarmers infused into their squads. The various assets provided by benchers added to the dimension of team play. Benchers also became a stabilizing force, keeping their teams "loose" and ready.

Admittedly, teams without benchwarmers survived their seasons. But those teams lacked the extra character which benchers gave the players and teams. They pulled through good and bad times, but through it all they persevered.



Boys' volleyball player Brian Abendroth intently watches his teammates' efforts. In the background, Tim Allen relaxes as he observes the match.

Brent Yaeggi and Scott Ciske pass the time on the bench at Lake Geneva by juggling baseballs while D. H. Pete Syens contemplates his next at-bat.

Hoping for a victory, Amy Bates and Beth Benoy nervously view the exploits of their teammates during the girls' basketball game at Jefferson.

During a moment late in a girls' basketball game, Coach Dave Krause and Sue Ketter and Judy Hathaway focus their attention on the court.

Members of the boys' basketball team watch the game with interest and await the outcome from their courtside vantage point on the bench.

VOLLEYBALL/WRESTLING CHEERLEADERS — Front Row: Joy Kneiert, Lane Liebergen, Kim Austin, Laurie Hagner, Kris Brule. **JV CHEERLEADERS — Second Row:** Natalie Wright, Wendy Romens, Heidi Bachar, Amy Kenny, Cammi Purucker, Lisa Vorlob. **VARSITY CHEERLEADERS — Back Row:** Kim Johnson, Beth Plambeck, Sylvia Thomas, Kathy Goodman, Pennie Erdman, Sondra Matson, Penni Bundick.

Leading the fans at the Senior Night game, Sondra Matson fires up the crowd and the football team who defeated Stoughton in the last game of the year.

Cheerleaders qualify for national competition

Supporting Blackhawk teams through posters, pep assemblies and locker decorations, the varsity and JV cheerleading squads succeeded in generating enthusiasm and maintaining school spirit.

Competing at the United States Cheerleading Association camp at LaCrosse, the varsity football/basketball squad finished with a third place rating overall. The squad attained the honor of qualifying for national competition.

Aside from their usual tasks, the volleyball squad planted "good luck" signs in the lawns of volleyball team members for Sectionals. Preparing for upcoming seasons, the squads attended various camps during the summer.

Experimenting with new fund raisers, the cheerleaders held their first sock hop which netted $46.00. Entertained by Rick Rowley and Mike Westphall, students participated in dances such as the Bunny Hop and the Sock Hop.

Other fund raisers included selling flowers on Valentine's Day and the annual May basket sale. The girls also earned money linejudging at volleyball games. With the money earned, the varsity squad purchased new sweaters.

At the Fall Sports Banquet, adviser Lorraine Tekely stated the significance of cheerleaders to the school and the community. "Cheerleaders are an important part of an athletic organization. They create enthusiasm in the student body and promote good sportsmanship."

After cheering the volleyball team through a triumphant match, Kris Brule, Kim Austin, Laurie Hagner and Joy Kneiert celebrate the end of a winning season.

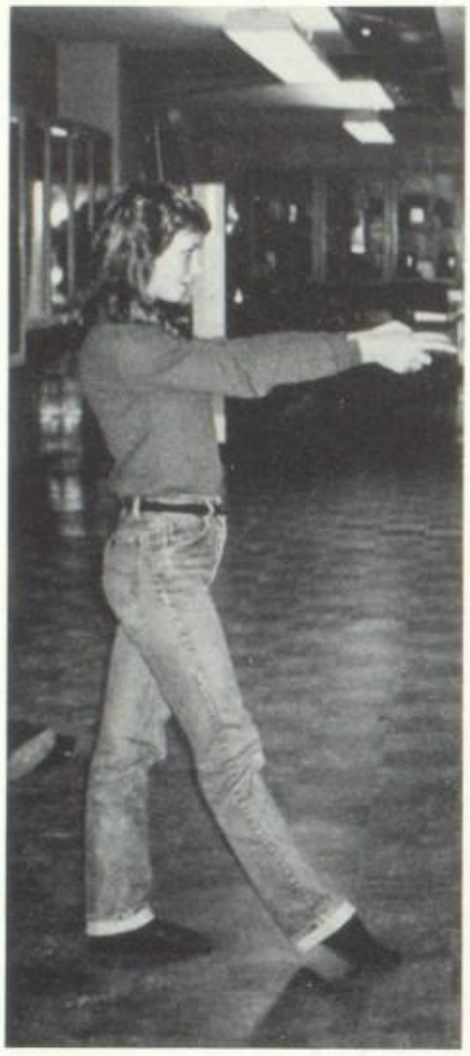
"Cheerleaders create school spirit in the students and promote good sportsmanship." — Lorraine Tekeley

May baskets filled with candy, nuts and pretzels line a table as cheerleading adviser Mrs. Lorraine Tekeley and Kathy Goodman prepare more holiday treats to sell.

Kicking their legs to the beat, students attending the cheerleaders' first sock-hop bunny-hop in the Activity Room. Cheerleaders earned $46 from the dance.

Pom Pon members Denise Lescohier and Patti Hanewold keep a firm grip on a team run through, while basketball player Keith Neubert smashes through.

In preparation for an upcoming halftime show, junior co-captain Denise Lescohier polishes up the routine during her fourth hour studyhall, in the lobby.



Pom Pons, Front Row: Denise Lescohier, Theresa Taylor. **Second Row:** Ginger Robel, Dana Baker, Jane Quill, Nancy Broker, Gabby Penfield. **Back Row:** Natalie Simonin, Patti Hanewold, Ginger Dalby. **Not Pictured:** Becky Riddell, Angie Heiliger.

During the halftime show of the Fort vs. Oregon basketball game, Angie Heiliger and Jane Quill move to the beat of their "Physical" routine.

Senior Jane Quill sidesteps to the beat during one of the squad's first halftime routines of the year, during the basketball game against the Milton Redmen.

During the halftime show of Fort's first home game, Pom Pons Patti Hanewold and Dana Baker synchronize their moves to the beat of their "Flamethrower" routine.

Pom pons acquire new supervisor, new ideas

With a new adviser, the pom pon squad experimented with new routines, skill moves, and fund raisers. "Mrs. Staudacher is very helpful and enthusiastic. She tries to get everyone involved," commented team captain Jane Quill.

After attending UW Stevens Point Mrs. Valerie Staudacher taught at Dodgeland Jr. High. With three years of cheerleading experience, she accepted the role of pom pon advisor at FHS.

Members of the squad attended a UW-Whitewater pom pon camp, consisting of four, thirteen hour seminars. "We had a lot of fun, and we learned so many new ideas and different types of routines," recalled sophomore Dana Baker.

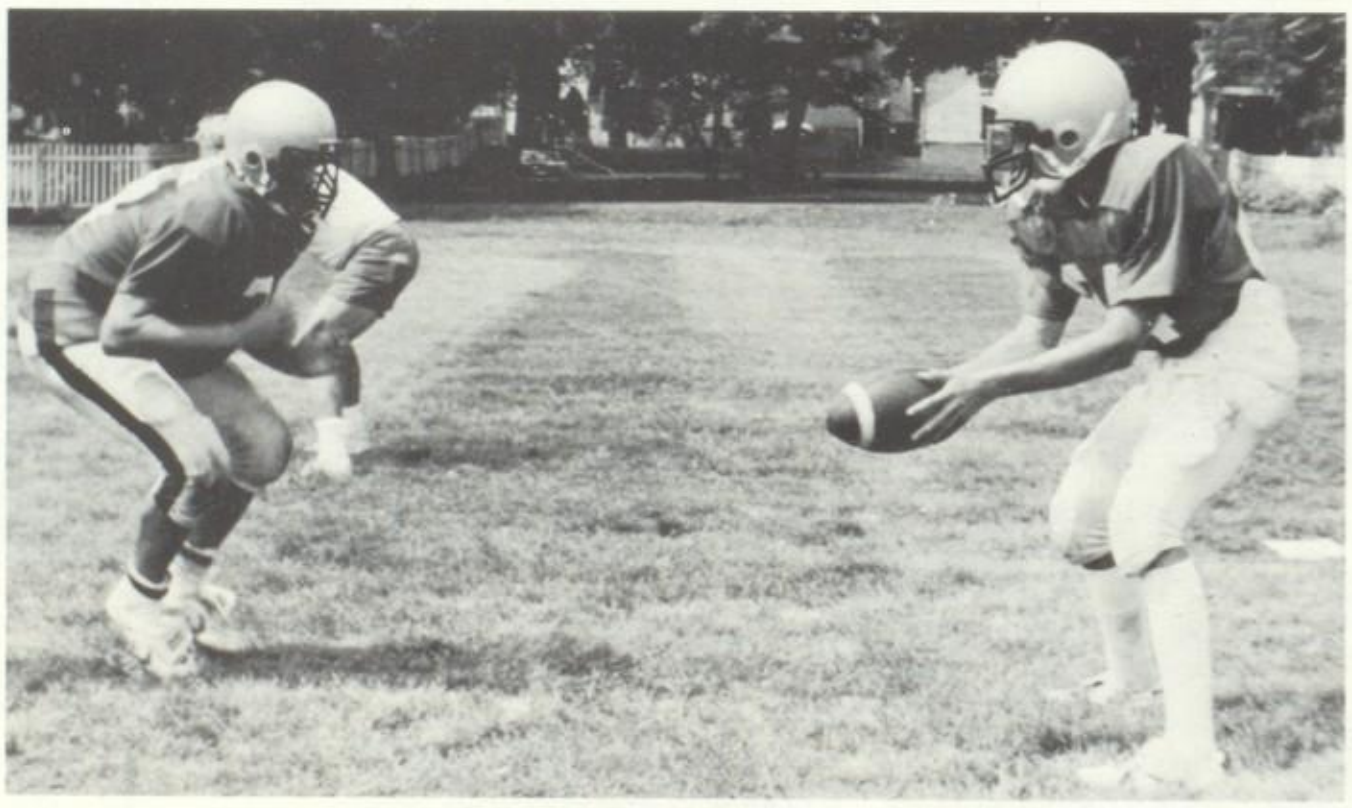
In the team's effort to purchase new sweaters, the pom pon squad held a car wash and two bake sales. One occurred at the Citizen State Bank, while the other perked up noses at the high school.

"I am amazed at the originality they have in making up their routines. The quality of work they put in and the end products are truly gratifying," commended team supervisor Mrs. Staudacher.

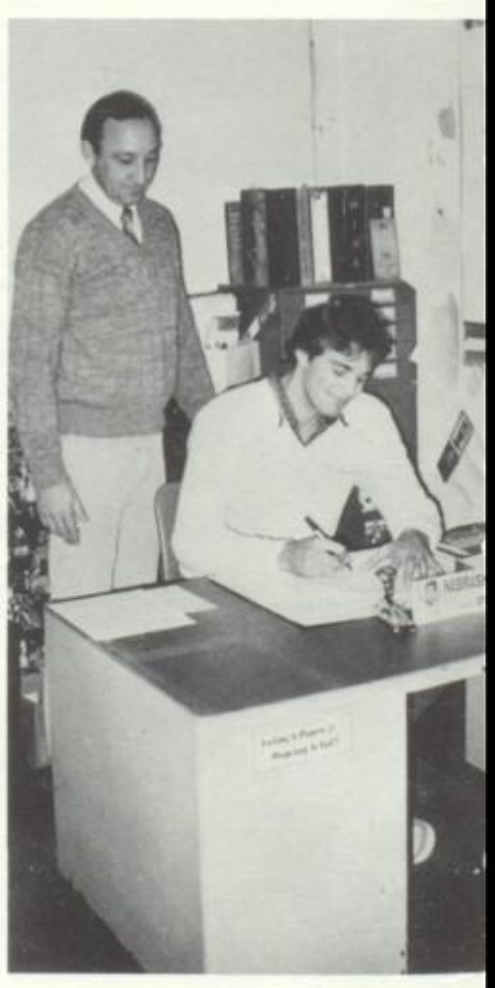
In addition to acquiring a new supervisor, the squad worked more closely with the band. For the first time, the pom pons performed with the band in the Fort Fest Parade and football pregame.

Practicing almost two hours, four to five nights a week, the squad put in as much time as other sports. "I'm proud to be the advisor of such hard working, creative, young ladies," stated foods teacher Mrs. Staudacher.

"I'm proud to be the adviser of such hard working, creative young ladies." — Valerie Staudacher



Performing various exercises during a grueling football workout, linebacker Dave VanSchoyck and junior Rob Erickson demonstrate a peripheral vision drill.



Confirming plans to attend the University of Nebraska on a basketball scholarship, Keith Neubert signs a national letter of intent as Coach Don Gruber looks on.

Winning or losing

A feeling of accomplishment motivates athletes

Torturous workouts, hours of tedious practices, satisfying victories and disappointing losses — whether Varsity or JV, girls or boys, all athletes experienced these trials through athletics.

Reasons for participating in high school sports varied greatly among athletes at FHS. Benefits included keeping in shape, obtaining satisfaction from achieving goals and the possibility of earning an athletic scholarship.

Obtaining a pre-set goal topped students' lists of the most satisfying accomplishments in team sports. "We all set a goal at the beginning of the season to win the Badger Conference, and it felt really great when we won it," reported spiker Sally Zentner.

Though they pertained only to outstanding players, scholarships provided an early reward for one local athlete. Recruited by many Midwest schools for his basketball talent, Keith Neubert attained a full NCAA scholarship to the University of Nebraska.

Athletes also found that taking part in high school sports allowed them to meet more students and become more involved with the school. Jane Baker, a transfer student, recalled, "As a new student, going out for volleyball helped me to meet new people."

Despite the many rewards that athletics can offer, students admitted that participating in sports consumed much of their spare time. Basketball player Al Koeppel complained, "When I get home form practice, I never have much time to relax or watch TV."

Choosing between a job and sports presented another disadvantage to athletes. Though Don Schantz found it difficult to make that decision, he revealed, "I think that it's more important to be able to earn money for college than go out for tennis."

Some athletes admitted that parents influenced their athletic involvement. "When your parents are athletically inclined, you feel an obligation to be involved in sports," noted Doug Wangerin.

In most cases, FHS athletes agreed that the benefits and satisfaction they obtained from participating in high school sports outweighed the disadvantages. "If you work for something and see yourself improve, it makes it all worth it," commented Jim Smith.

After defeating Ooonomowoc in the first game of the WIAA Regional tournament, members of the girls' volleyball team discuss strategy for their next game.

Warming up before a match against Madison Memorial, varsity volleyball players Al Koeppel, Brian Grandt, and Jack Kruyne loosen up by doing pushups.

During picture night, cheerleaders, managers and members of the basketball teams line up in the gym to be recognized for their athletic talent.

Practicing his racewalking techniques, Paul Klug waddles around the track in preparation for an upcoming meet.

Using the universal equipment Steve Kincaid tones his upper arm and body muscles.

Planning a three mile run around the Koshkonong Mounds Golf Course, junior Rick Jooss replaces his bicycling shoes for his running shoes after riding six miles.

Let's get physical

Individual sports offer many rewards

In the past few years FHS and other schools around the nation embarked on a physical fitness kick. Individual and group conditioning programs such as aerobics, weightlifting, biking, and jogging existed as popular ways of getting into proper condition.

Overall conditioning and muscle toning prompted fitness-conscious students to take the plunge into area lakes and local swimming pools. Bicycling offered riders fun and fitness as well as a source of transportation.

Students spent enjoyable and relaxing hours at the city pool or tennis courts. A rise in the popularity of swimming and tennis required the enlargement and modernization of both the city's and high school's facilities, to keep up with enormous demand.

One of the nation's favorite pastimes included jogging. As senior Sue Zentner explained, "I like jogging because it's a nice break from school, daily activities, and homework. It gives me a chance to clear my mind of everything and get away."

Soccer, a team sport increasing in popularity and a sport not offered in FHS athletics, occupied several sports enthusiasts' Sunday afternoons. Other students participated in less familiar sports such as racewalking and Tai Kwondo, a form of self-defense.

In meets all across the country, junior Paul Klug and four other athletes from around the state competed in a sport known as facewalking. Performing in The Athletic Conference for just one year, the five-man team received five trophies and seven medals.

Spending spare time strenghtening and toning their muscles, fitness fanatics worked with weights in local weightrooms and figure salons. Upcoming sports seasons motivated some athletes to "pump iron," while the trimming physical benefits inspired others.

"I exercise to get in and keep in shape. There is a feeling of self-satisfaction in knowing you've accomplished something through all the time and effort," claimed senior Lori Edwardson. "Although it's hard work, it's good clean fun and very rewarding."

For many students, individual sports existed as an alternative to the competitive high school sports. Whether racewalking or weightlifting, swimming or biking, FHS students enjoyed keeping fit through individual sports.

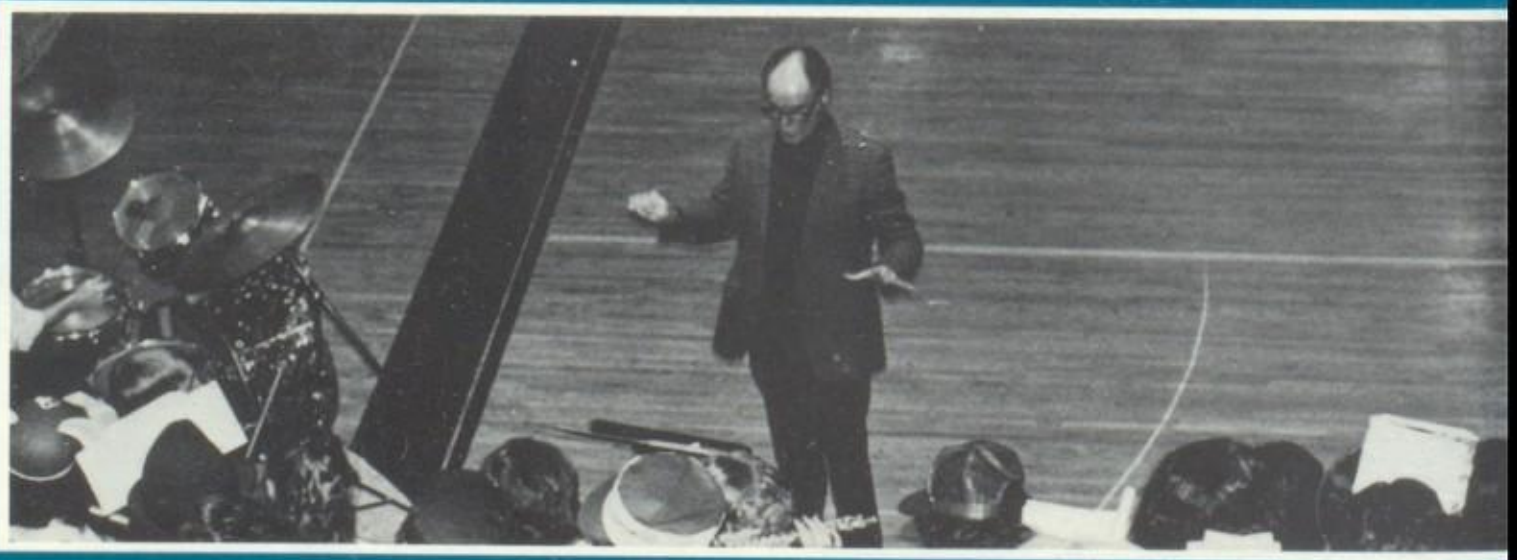
Perfecting self-defense moves for her Tai Kwondo class, Jane Baker practices a thrust kick before attempting to break two boards braced by her sister Dana.

Enjoying a popular recreational activity at Arcadia Lanes, senior Kurt Kleifgen hopes for a strike as he rolls his first attempt at a hook ball down the alley.

At a cheerleader sponsored sock hop, Lori Koch and Sue Zick pose in bride and groom costumes. Any student dressed up received a $.50 discount on admission.

During a slow stretch with no customers at Tuttles Pharmacy on a Friday night, junior Jenny Onsrud copies her schedule for the upcoming Christmas vacation.

In the student section of the bleachers, Mr. Grayson Babcock directs the pep band at a home basketball game. The band specialized in playing the "Bud" song.



In the guidance office, Don Schantz discusses a future in the armed services with Marine recruiter Sergeant Lee Harris. Recruiters made regular visits to FHS.

People

. . . part of the package

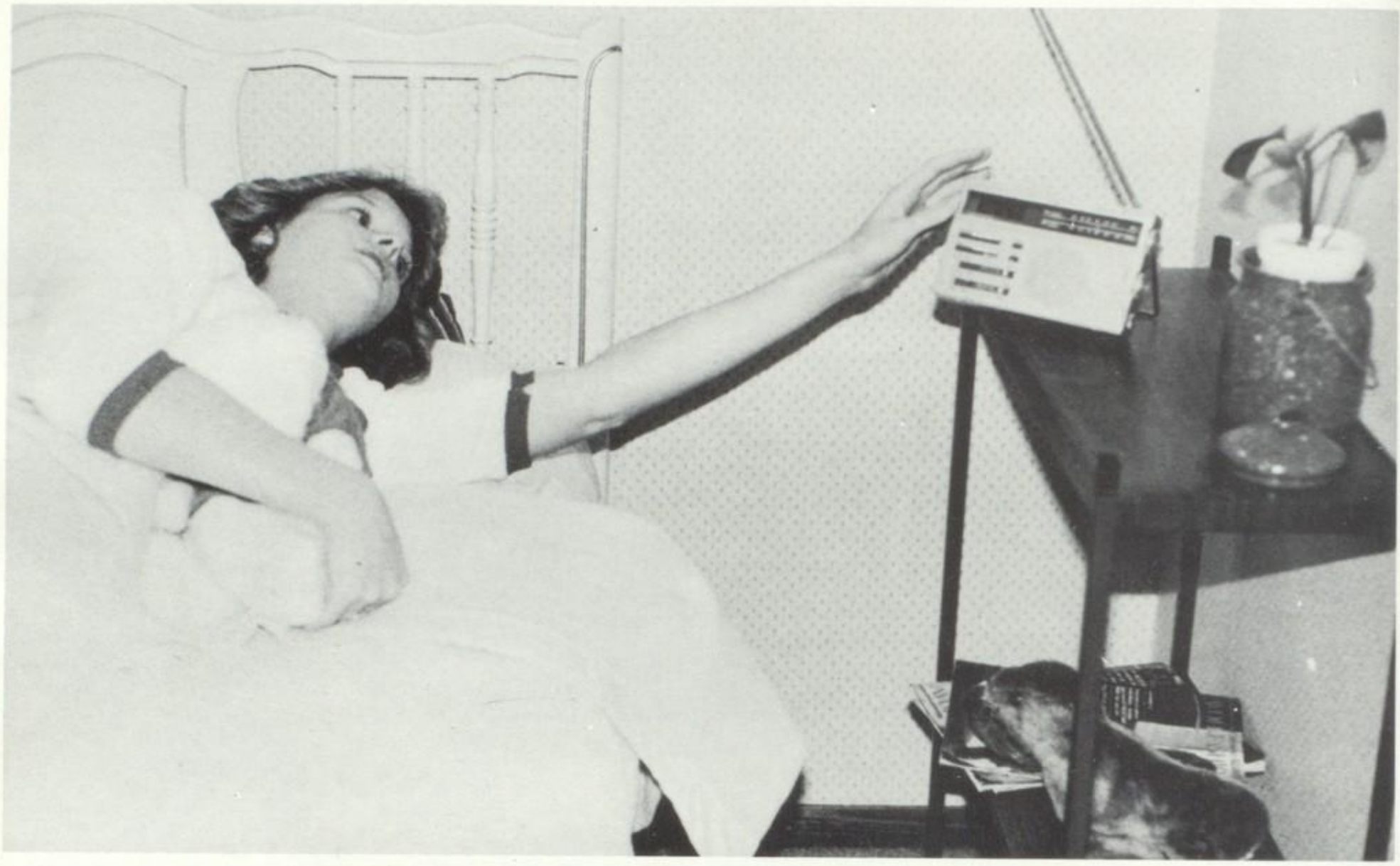
Without the people involved in the school, no package would ever have existed. The construction affected and, in turn, was affected by everyone. Some people actively pushed for the final package by working with the Charette Committee. Others objected by grumbling about the windy hallways and steaming classrooms. Most just accepted each daily reminder and felt they watched safely from the side. But the construction touched every person. In fact, the people at FHS gained more than just a new school. The construction workers became as big a part of the people package as the students and teachers. Friendships sprung up between students and workers. People made the final package happen, and people grew with the building.

Abondoning himself to the holiday spirit, Paul Talcott impersonates Santa Claus at the French Club Christmas party. As Santa, he distributed all the gifts.

Fascinated by the fast-paced action on the court, Bruce Wadman hangs his mirror image shades from his shirt in order to see the basketball game more clearly.

Awakened by music, Amy Erickson opens her eyes to Monday morning. The idea of facing a new week often caused kids to ignore their alarms and fall back asleep.

In Monday morning chemistry class, Scott Engstrom and Steve Bakken put weekend memories behind and concentrate on preparing for a chemistry quiz.



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Nelda Adams
Dan Allard
Daniel Allen
Julie Anderson
Kevin Anderson
Teri Anderson
Tim Baio
Charlie Baker

Dana Baker
Steve Bakken
Kevin Bare
Todd Barnhart
Bob Barrett
Don Bartol
Wendell Beckard
Terry Beggs
Tammy Behm

Renee Behselich
Beth Benoy
Dan Berg
Jana Berhow
Steve Bernhardt
Kathy Bielefeldt
Kevin Bigelow
Mimi Black
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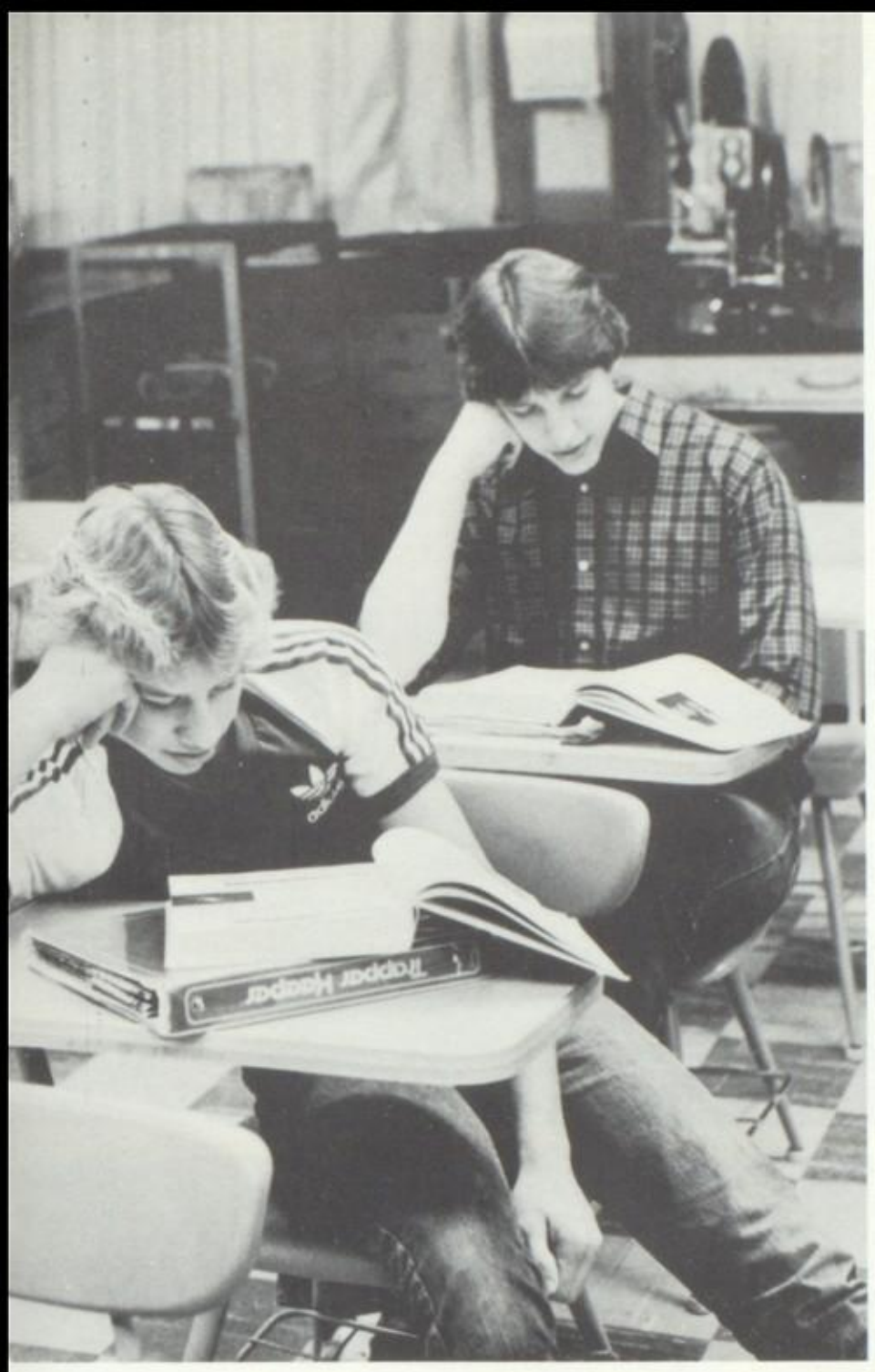
Nancy Broker
Dion Brown
Keith Buchholtz
Kerry Bundick
Jim Bush
Corey Butler
Sandy Carmichael



Blues: Monday morning dilemma haunts FHS sophomores

Waking up later than usual, yawning, stretching, and sleeping during first hour, and daydreaming — all of these made up the "Monday Morning Blues Syndrome" for countless Fort High sophomores.

"I never feel like dressing up on Mondays," commented Rhonda Reinel. Numerous sophomore girls agreed with this statement. On a typical Monday, girls preferred the comfort of their old jeans and a sweater, leaving dresses or skirts for later in the week.

When asked if they could perform better or worse if given a test on Monday, sophomores held differing opinions. "I would do better because I could study all Sunday night and the material would be fresh in my head on Monday," explained Natalie Simonini.

On the other hand, kids felt that weekends shouldn't be spent studying. "I do worse on a Monday test because I like to spend weekends on myself, not on my homework," stated Heidi Stauffachar. Teachers agreed that Monday tests seemed unpopular.

Hurrying for their first class caused students to skip breakfast or forget to pack a lunch on Monday mornings. Other early morning encounters due to haste included tripping down the stairs, burning themselves on curling irons, and forgetting gym clothes.

One positive aspect about Mondays emerged as sophomores generally felt they received less than the usual amount of homework. Students also felt Monday classes proved interesting because weekend activities could be discussed and recent gossip interchanged.

Staying home on Monday morning because of drowiness or lack of enthusiasm toward school loomed as a frequent occurrence for sophomore FHS students. Attendance office statistics showed that Mondays claimed a much worse attendance record than on Fridays.

Scott Catron
Tom Chesmore
Tammy Christian
Connie Courtier
Theresa Coy
Amy Cushman
Jim Damuth
Jim DeGidio
Dianne Derleth

Karen Dieter
Dianna Draves
Tony Drews
Dennis Dummer
Dina Eighmy
Albert Ellis
Scott Engstrom
Amy Erickson
Renee Erickson

Randy Farnsworth
Gary Fehr
Mark Fincutter
Karen Findlay
Mark Fleming
Craig Foelker
Tammy Foerster
Todd Foerster
Joe Falk

Jeff Foster
Kim Froehlich
Jeff Frohmader
Don Gambrel
Steve Garland
Jane Glass
Phil Godfrey
Brian Grandt
Becky Grandt

Sitters: Babysitting obligations fill sophomore nights

Changing diapers, cooking meals, preparing baths, and comforting small children; such responsibilities of babysitting filled countless weekend and weekday evenings for sophomore students.

"If nothing else is going on, at least I'm making money instead of spending it," remarked Linda Hollenbeck. Babysitting loomed as the main source of making money among sophomores with the average rate of 1.00-1.50 per hour.

Other students agreed that watching young children for a couple of hours after school or at night seemed a good way of earning extra spending cash. Kerry Bundick explained, "I don't mind babysitting once in a while because I enjoy being with children.

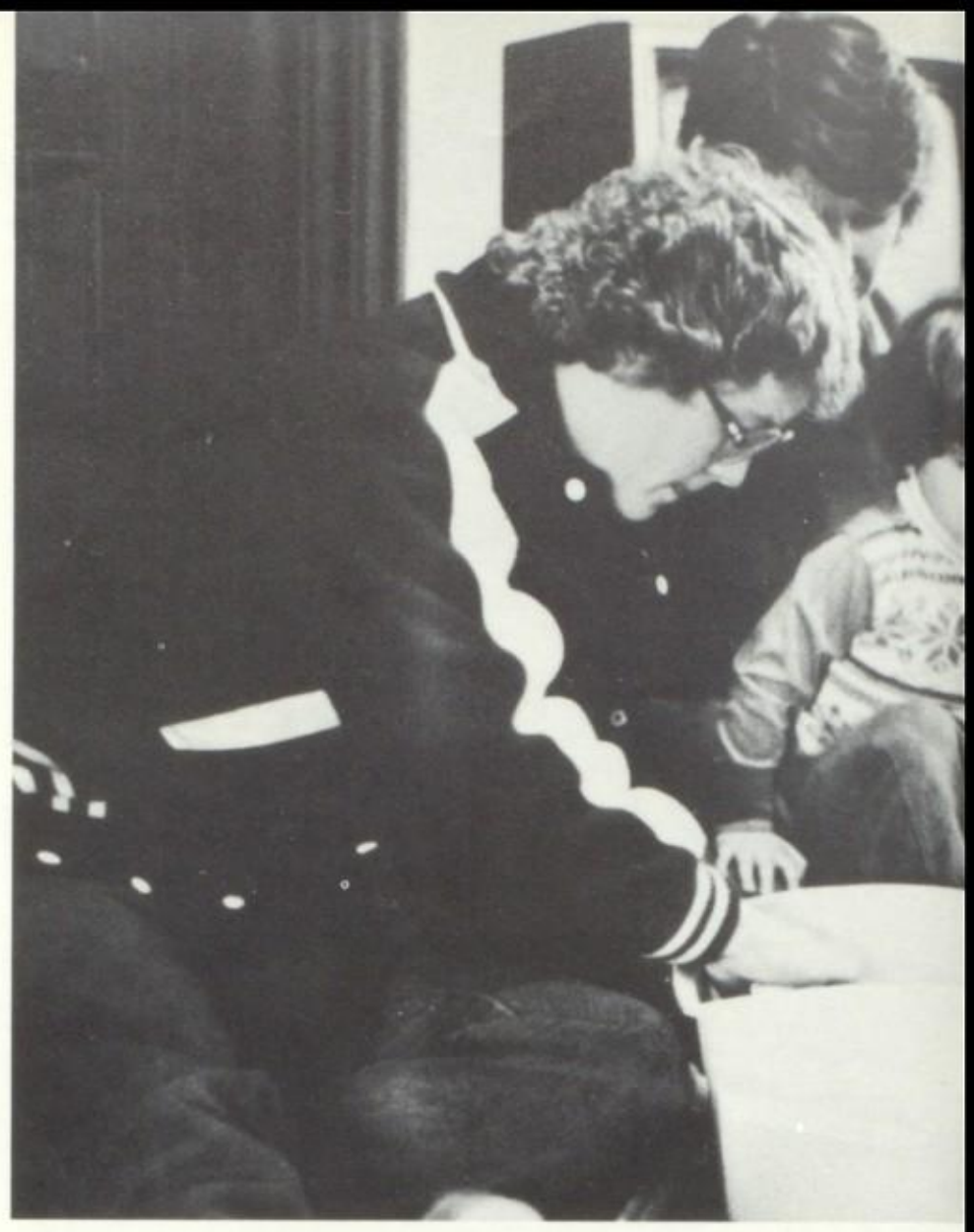
"I only like babysitting where there is a lot of food on the shelves," laughed Linda Abendroth. Besides the popular "raiding the refrigerator," other late-night pastimes included talking on the telephone, watching TV, and listening to the stereo.

Babysitters experienced various anxieties while on the job. Unfamiliar, very old, and large houses that made strange noises frightened students. Fears of someone breaking into the house or the child injuring himself brought apprehension to babysitters.

"I don't like it when the people I'm babysitting for aren't home on time. When they are late I worry and get mad," complained sophomore Debbie Wadman. Students felt it inconsiderate of parents when they made sitters stay longer on the job than requested.

Students, on the average, spent their money as soon as they earned it. Clothes swallowed up a large percent of the babysitting profits. Movies, video games, pizzas and hamburgers, albums, and other forms of entertainment also used up babysitting money.

Babysitting not only provided students with a way of earning extra money, but it also gave young adults some experience in the area of parenthood. Cooking and cleaning required of a sitter helped them to take on responsibilities new for some sophomores.

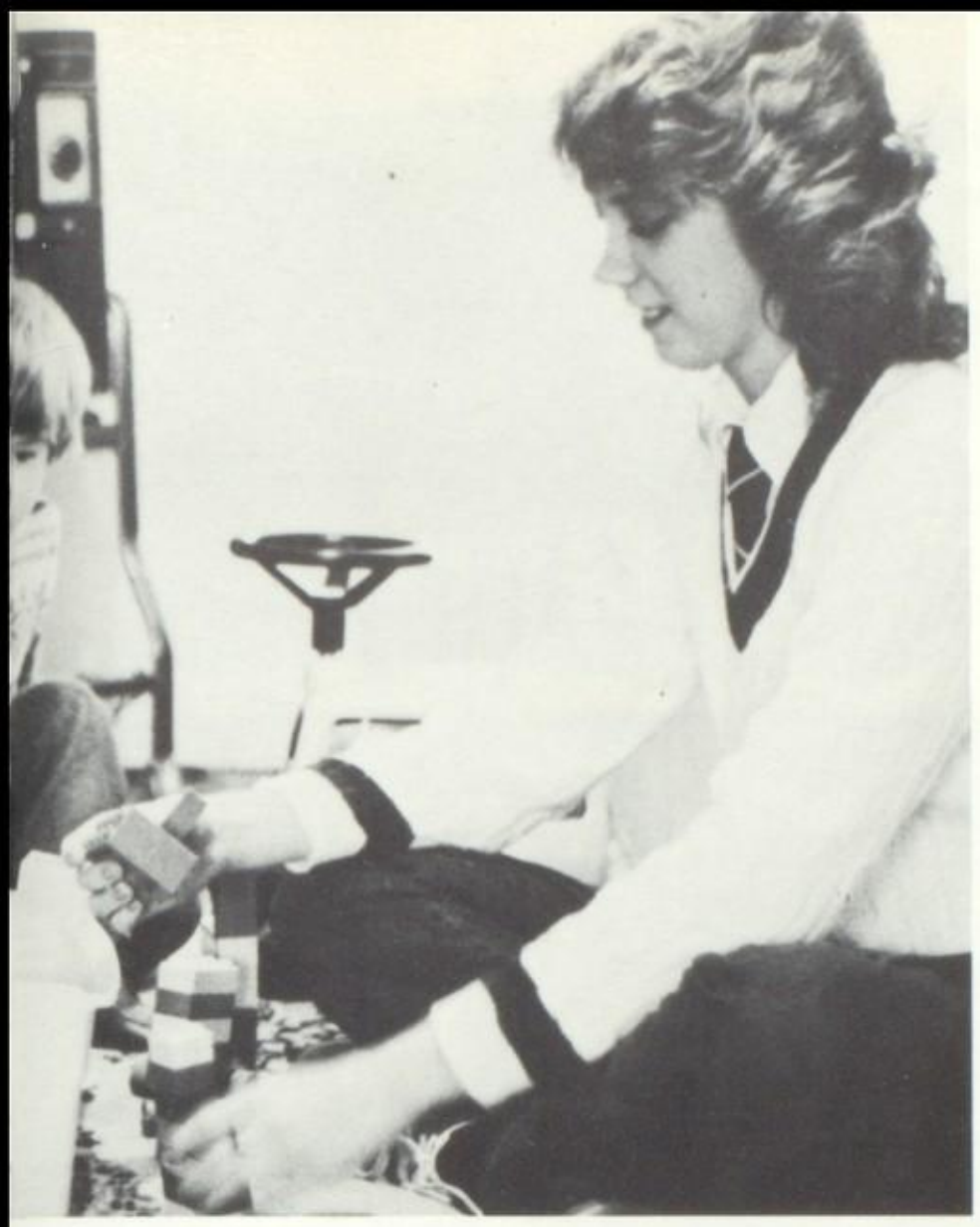


Spending the money they earned from babysitting, sophomores Linda Hollenbeck and Pam Pofahl start out their free weekend watching a Blackhawk basketball game.

Brian Green
Sue Grischow
Lisa Gross
Gina Gruetzman
Randy Hagner
Liz Haney
Jeff Harris
Laura Hartwig
Vikki Hathaway

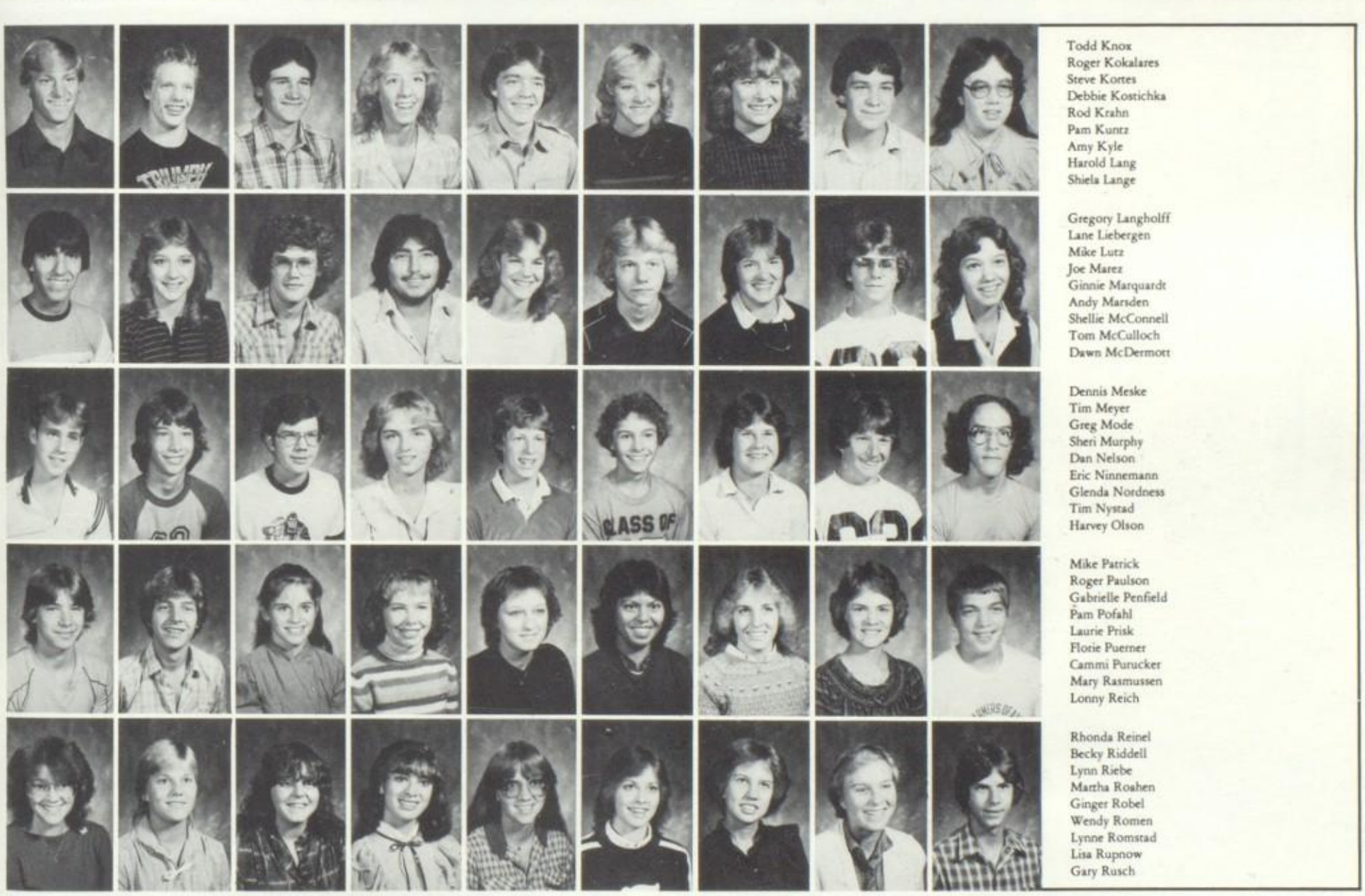
Dave Heth
Mike Hoekstra
Chris Hoene
Linda Hollenbeck
Trent Huber
Todd Huppert
Kevin Jatczak
Britt Jewell
Debbie Jones

Kelly Jordan
Shirley Jung
Sara Karlin
Greg Keating
Amy Kenny
Rob Kern
Steve Kincaid
Sharon Kirby
Donna Klitzke



Rummaging through a box of toys, Chris Mode and Lane Liebergen take time out from their other babysitting duties to play a game with Chris' nephew.

While babysitting for her next-door neighbor, Debbie Kostichka looks into the refrigerator to find something to prepare for the children for dinner.



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Roger Kokalares
Steve Kortes
Debbie Kostichka
Rod Krahn
Pam Kuntz
Amy Kyle
Harold Lang
Shiela Lange

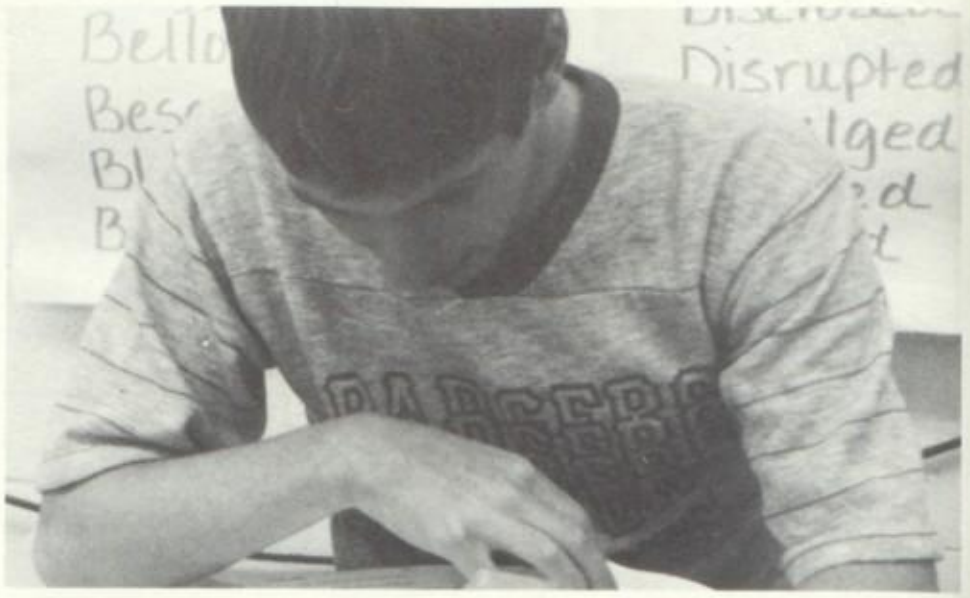
Gregory Langholff
Lane Liebergen
Mike Lutz
Joe Marez
Ginnie Marquardt
Andy Marsden
Shellie McConnell
Tom McCulloch
Dawn McDermott

Dennis Meske
Tim Meyer
Greg Mode
Sheri Murphy
Dan Nelson
Eric Ninnemann
Glenda Nordness
Tim Nystad
Harvey Olson

Mike Patrick
Roger Paulson
Gabrielle Penfield
Pam Pofahl
Laurie Prisk
Florie Puerner
Cammi Purucker
Mary Rasmussen
Lonny Reich

Rhonda Reinel
Becky Riddell
Lynn Riebe
Martha Roahen
Ginger Robel
Wendy Romen
Lynne Romstad
Lisa Rupnow
Gary Rusch

Showing off his loyalty to the Wisconsin Badgers, Rob Kern wears one of the various t-shirt styles. Students felt they expressed themselves when wearing t-shirts.



Sophomores Not Pictured

Holly Anton
Heidi Bachar
Mike Bohn
Shennah Crawford
Vicki Eckhart
Lynn Fleck
Karen Goyer
Jarrod Hagenow
Robert Jansen
Dawn Nevin
Lisa Prisk
Scott Pundsack
Bob Schulz
Tammy Virgil
Fred Walling

David Rutherford
Marc Sawyer
Peggy Scherwitz
Gloria Schroeder
Theresa Schroeder
Anne Schwartzenbart

Bill Seybold
Wade Siegel
Natalie Simonini
Sigrid Stade
Heidi Stauffacher
Jason Steffen
Wanda Strasburg
Tammy Strese
James Sullivan

Diane Taylor
Chris Teipner
Brian Tinberg
Eugene Trewyn
Dan Truman
Jim Tuttle
Stephanie Voelker
Lisa Vorlob
Debbie Wadman

Curtus Walling
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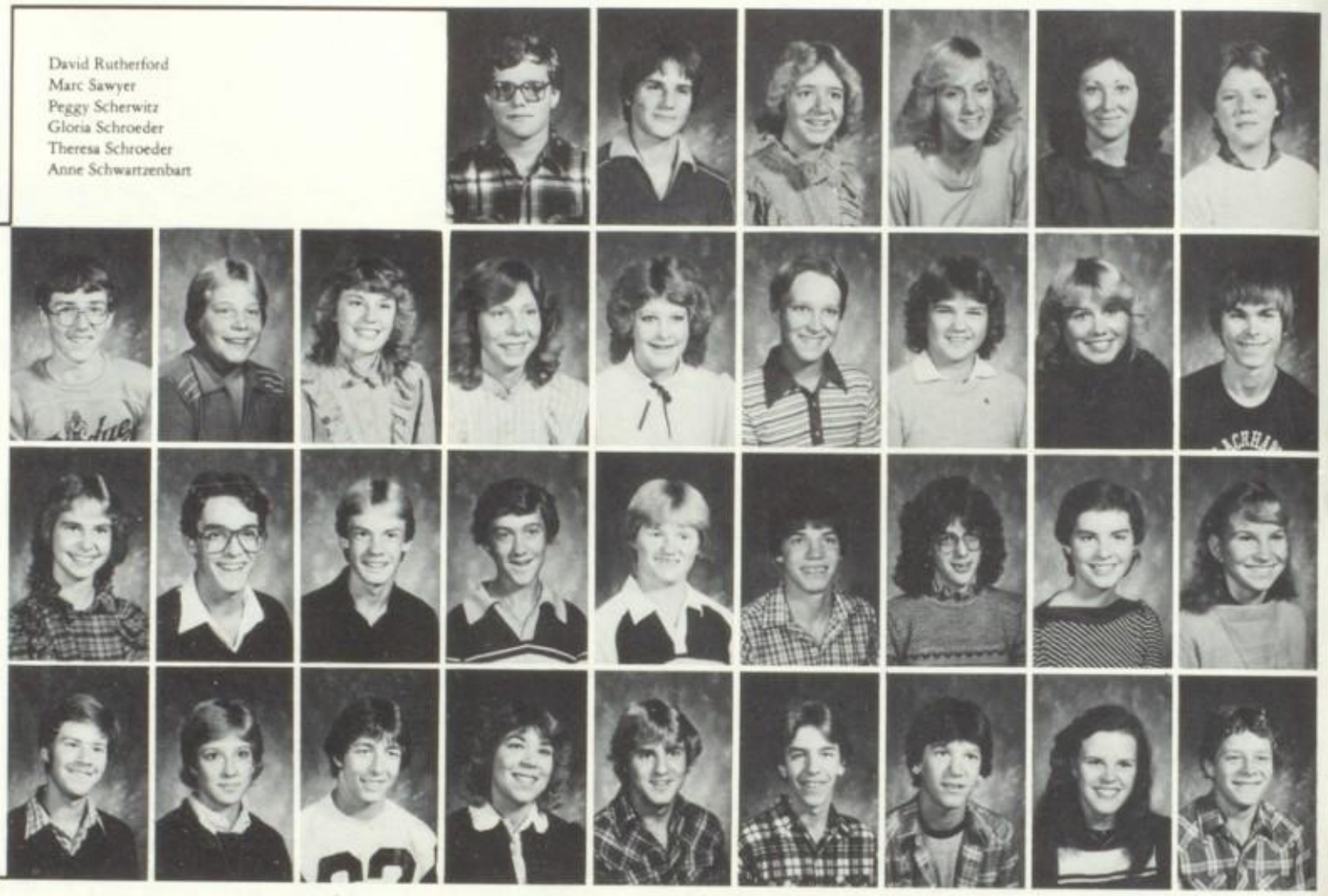
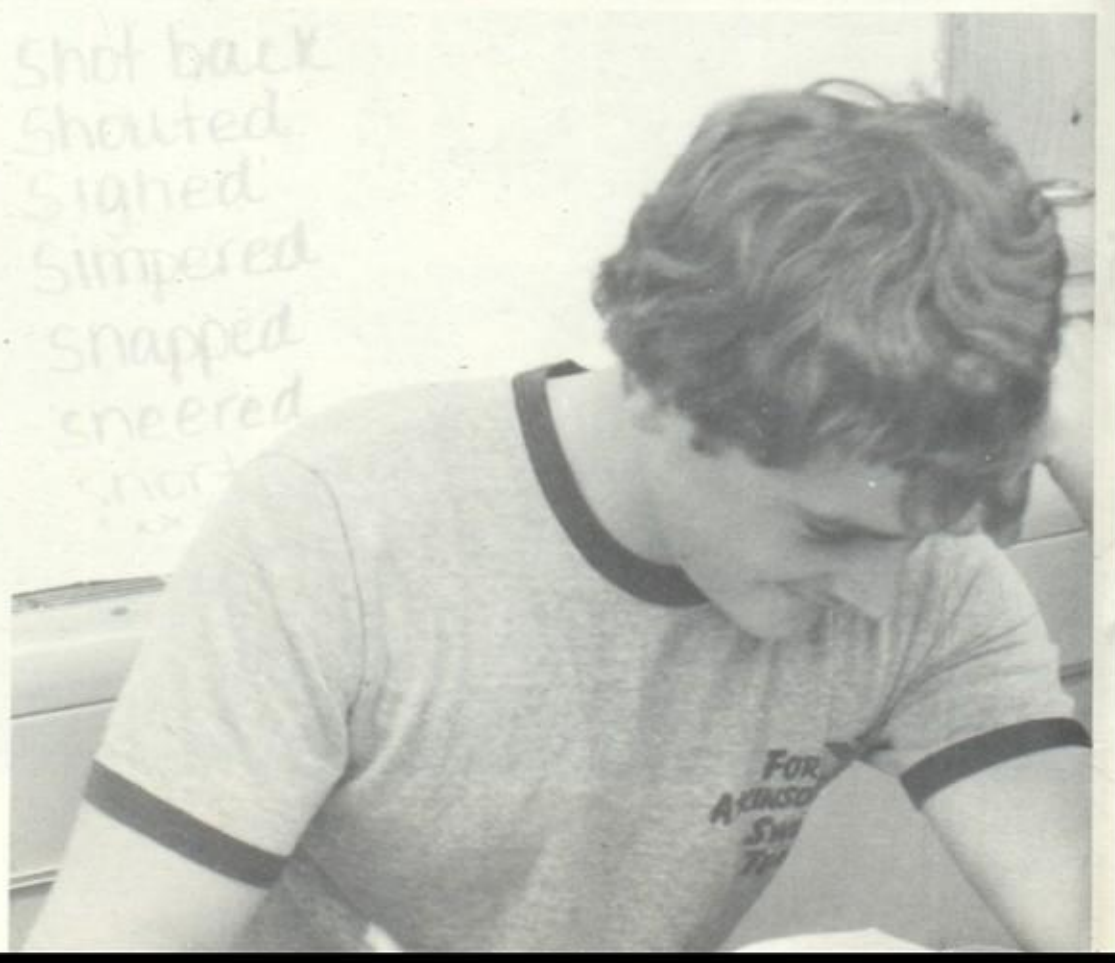
Mark Wermeling
Todd Wileman
Karin Wollangk
Jackie Young



Organizations such as Fort Atkinson Swim Team produced their own emblem for t-shirts. Wendell Beckard displays his during English class.



T-shirts: Advertisement plagues student body's chests

Adidas, Nike, Puma, Van Halen, Rush, UW-Whitewater and Madison, WLPX, and Budweiser. What do all these have in common? They cropped up on many T-shirts in the halls of FHS.

Sayings like "Wrestlers do it on the mat," "Deadly When Wet," and "I'm With Stupid" took up room on many T-shirts, plus the ever-popular logo of Bucky Badger.

"I like T-shirts with sports players on them," stated Brit Jewell. Other T-shirts featured names and logos of sports teams. The Milwaukee Brewers or Wisconsin Badgers shirts surfaced during the World Series and Independence Bowl.

Students with T-shirts saying "I'm a Pepper," "Coke adds life," "Sunkist's good vibrations," or "I got Style" acted as human billboards to advertise a company's products. Camps and workshops also publicized themselves.

UCLA, UW-Madison, UW-Whitewater and USC riddled the fronts of T-shirts. Not only college names, but high school organizations and mascots found their way into the T-shirt picture.

T-shirts played a daily role in many student's lives. Heidi Bachar explained, "T-shirts are a way of expressing my feelings." Many students found this the main reason for wearing T-shirts.

Quenching his thirst at the bubbler between classes, sophomore Kevin Bare advertises his "Deadly When Wet" boys' swim team slogan on the back of his T-shirt.

In Biology class Pam Pofahl and Laura Hartwig work on a lab about the structure of cells. Luther College, like most colleges, printed shirts with logos on them.

Stalking:

Juniors hunt dates; hints trigger action

Certain events throughout high school once again pressured juniors. Getting good grades and choosing courses for their senior year accompanied what seemed the ultimate problem, stalking a date.

Scouting for that perfect guy or that perfect girl obsessed FHS students. Weekends, that cherished get-away time, needed to be filled with fond memories, and a date promised to fill that void.

As the school year rolled over the first quarter, weekdays, that whizzed right by, now appeared to trudge toward Friday. Whispers of the past weekend's dates and plans for upcoming ones could be heard even on Monday mornings.

Devious plans for "dropping the hint" occupied many juniors' minds. "I have to laugh when I think of all the little schemes we've used," laughed junior Heather Henning. "Not that they always worked," Heather added, "but they sure are fun to try."

Some juniors felt that too many serious relationships existed among classmates. "I think that we should do away with long-term obligations in high school; occasional get-togethers and dating lots of different people are more fun," claimed junior Russ Nathan.

The idea of a girl asking a guy out appealed to a number of guys. "I think that the girls should ask the guys out once in a while, so they can experience what the guys always have to go through," smiled Dave McIntyre.

Asking a girl out proved to be a task that most guys really hated to do. Junior guys felt that working up the nerve to ask a girl out appeared only half of the dilemma. Actually popping the question seemed the real killer.

During a basketball game, Colly Marquart and Jill Winiarski scout out prospects on the court. Date scouting could be found in every area of students' lives.

Sue Ackerman
Don Alvarado
Meg Amundson
DeAnna Anderson
Roger Anderson
Tom Ayers
Kim Austin
Pete Biao
Theresa Baker

Amy Bates
Pat Beach
Kevin Becker
Rod Bell
Bill Beltrone
Gwen Benoy
Ben Bernard
Jeff Bickle
Sara Bickle

Betty Bingham
Wendy Black
Harmon Bos
Julie Bottlemy
Rich Brandenburg
Lisa Buckingham
Tammy Buckingham
Ricky Cloute
Joyce Coleman

Jana Cromer
Scott Dahlgren
Ginger Dalby
Susan Danielson
Steven Darner
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Guy Dempsey
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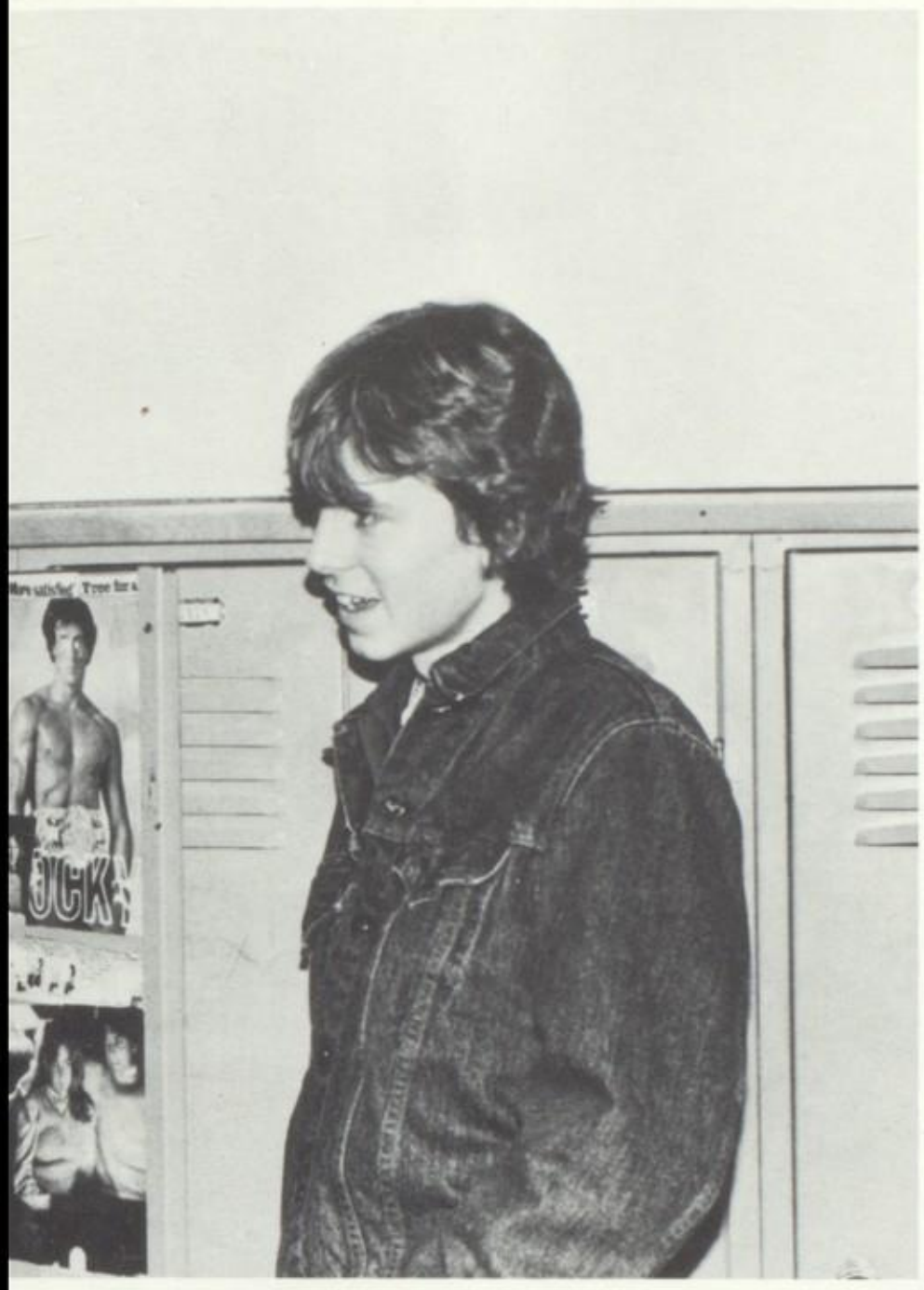
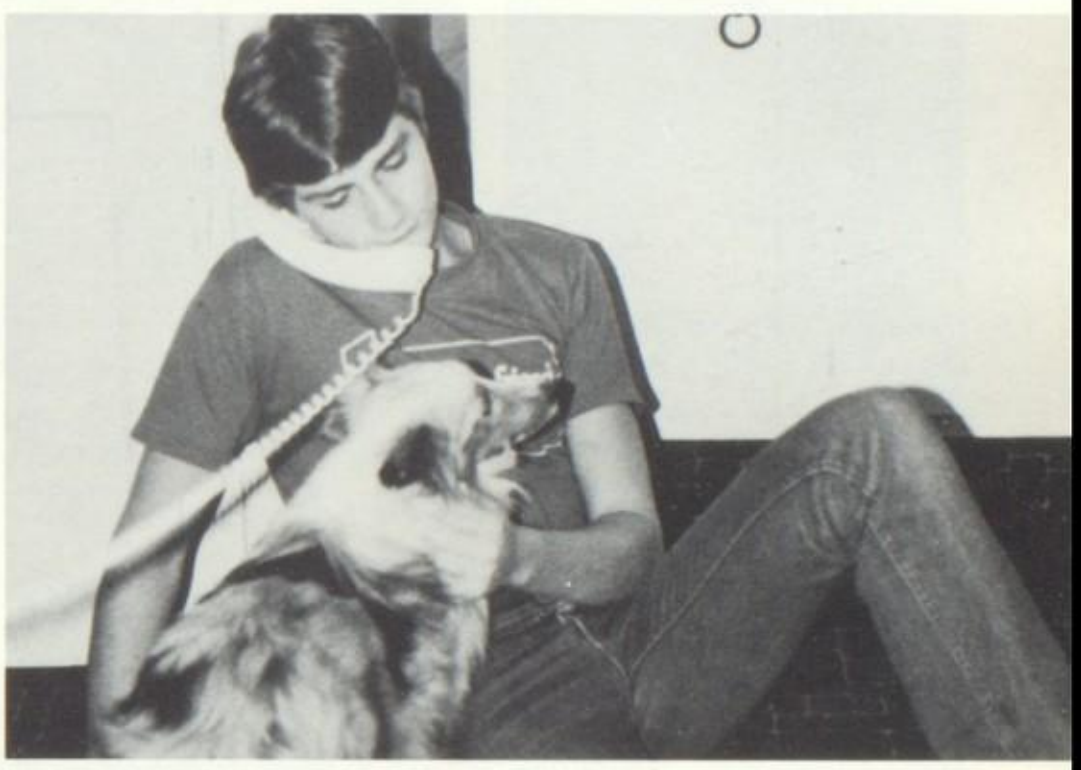
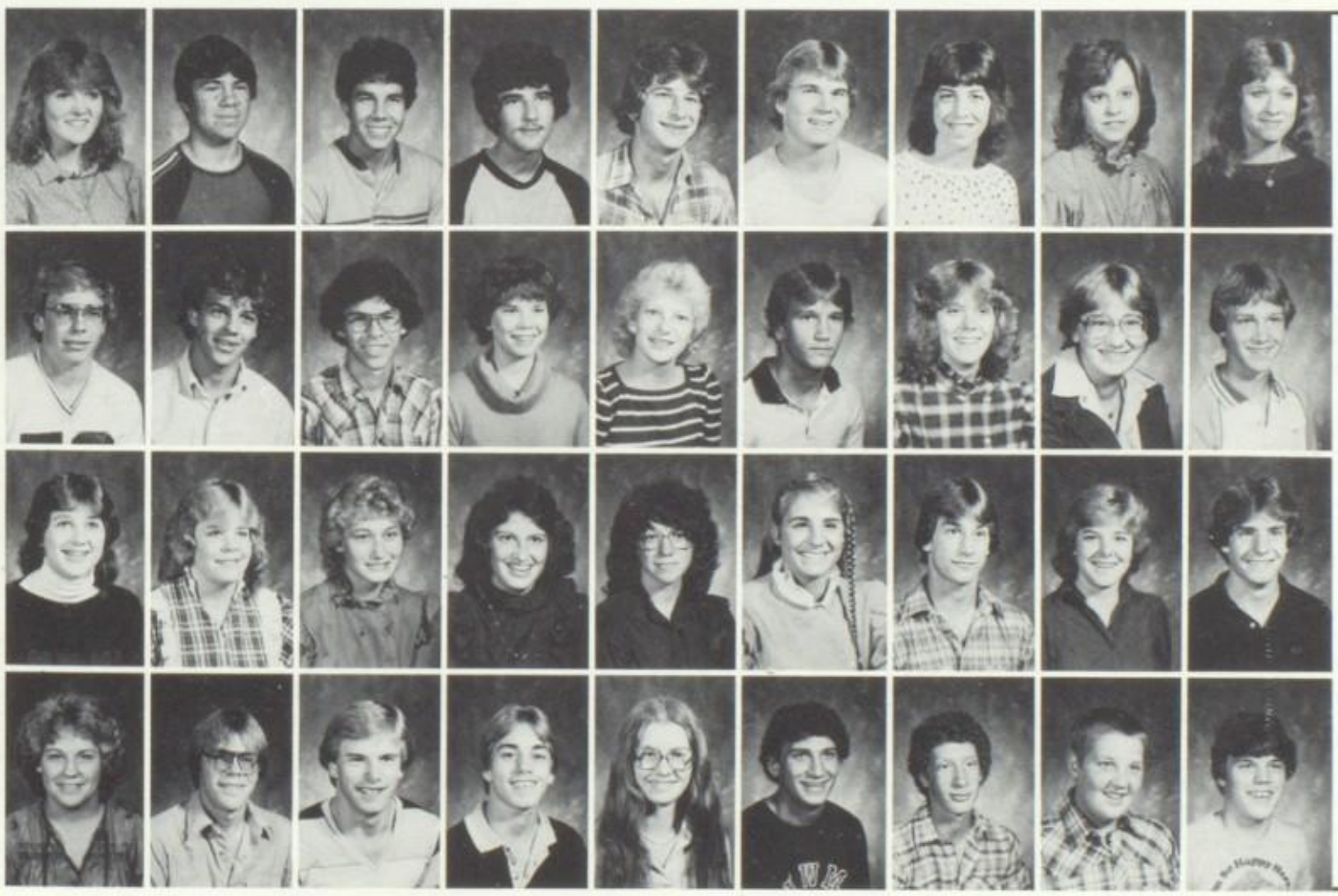


Locker meetings accompanied many couples' school days. Lisa Miller and Steve Kincaid took advantage of their noon hour to make weekend plans at her locker.

After an evening swim team practice, Dave McIntyre discusses plans for an upcoming weekend date. The telephone aided students in arranging and discussing dates.





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Artie Foelker
Mike Foerster
Cindy Frohmader
Kate Garrett
Laura Geller

Tom Gerondale
Chris Gillette
Tim Goihl
Mary Gordon
Amy Gore
Karl Gorski
Bonnie Grischow
Lucy Gross
Greg Gruber

Chris Hack
Renee Hake
Judy Hathaway
Tammy Haynes
Susan Haywood
Angela Heiliger
Steve Heinz
Heather Henning
Tim Hershman

Mindy Heussner
Bob Hoffman
Steve Holbach
Mike Holmes
Theresa Homann
Matt Hutchinson
Don Huttner
James Jaeckel
Todd Jansen

Lunch hour gave students a chance to exchange the hot news of the day. Shari Schneider amuses Un Hui Kim and Austri Soebodro with a happening in French class.

Taking a break from an afternoon study hall, Shari Last writes a note to a friend. When news couldn't wait until after school, notes acted as a substitute.

Anne Jazdjewski
Bill Johnson
Scott Johnson
Jackie Jones
Jennifer Jones
Sandy Jones
Rick Jooss
Bob Jung
Shirley Jung

Becki Keleny
Dennis Kellen
Tom Kenny
Joe Kern
Michelle Kern
Kim Kernan
Sue Ketter
Un-Hui Kim
Paul Klug

Joy Kneiert
Lori Koch
Jim Koehler
Steve Koenig
Steve Kramer
Greg Kraus
Shawn Krause
Cheryl Krebs
Darrin Krueger

Gossip: Juicy tales promise thrill for eager juniors

Mingling words of hot news and tall tales filtered through the halls of Fort High. Gossip, the nation-wide pastime, also raged and ran wild in Fort Atkinson among eager junior students.

The word "gossip" automatically triggered some first impressions in juniors' minds. "Rumors," "secrets," "jealousy," and "distorted," proved to be words that most often described this relating of news.

Untrue names also claimed victims as a result of gossip. "Flirt," "tease," and "two-faced" often labeled students. Family names also suffered. An act done by one easily stereotyped a whole family.

Students expressed differing opinions on the issue. "I don't like gossip because people get hurt by it," claimed Gina Schroeder. Jim Koehler also added, "People get carried away with gossip, and a lot of false rumors get started."

Some students disagreed with the completely negative side of gossip though. "I think that it's bad, and yet I think that poeple have to get what's bothering them off their mind," voiced Lori Koch.

Snickering remarks often started out of sheer jealousy. "It seemed like an easy way to get rid of some of the anger," claimed a number of juniors. Good friends even felt problems from this hot event.

Loitering after school, or waiting for practice offered students spare time. Sue Ludwig and Denise Lescohier exchange words over friends' class pictures.

Jeff Lamb
Shari Last
Amy Landowski
Mike Lawrence
Jeff Lehmann
Shelly Leslie
Denise Lescohier
Lisa Liotta
Sue Ludwig

Dixie Lueder
Jim Lueder
Colly Marquart
Margaret Martin
Sondra Matson
Paul McCann
Chad McGowan
Mike McGrain
Dave McIntyre

Janet McWane
Michele Meier
Bill Merrick
Paul Messmer
Tom Messmer
Brian Michael
John Mielke
Lisa Miller
Paul Milleson

Robert Mittlestadt
Beth Mueller
Russ Nathan
Erika Niemeier
John Nell
Kirk Nelson
Margaret Nelson
Steve Neubert
Kim Nevin

Bill Notbohm
Mike Nysather
Julie O'Neil
Laura Olsen
Robert Olson
Jenni Onsrud
Tony Partoll
Karl Patzer
Marc Pernacciaro

Shelly Poole
Joe Quaerna
Dave Quinn
Mike Raasch
Ed Rasmussen
Wayne Redenius
Karl Reich
Scott Riggs
Sue Rowley

Bob Rudoll
Dan Rueth
Dan Rusch
Gina Sahr
Lisa Schantz
Roxanne Schiewe
Peggy Schinke
Shari Schneidet
Gina Schroeder

Cathy Schultz
Keith Schultz
Jody Schumacher
Kurt Schwartzenbart
Ron Sebranek
Lesli Siegel
Brad Simonson
Jim Smith
Les Smith

Mike Smrekar
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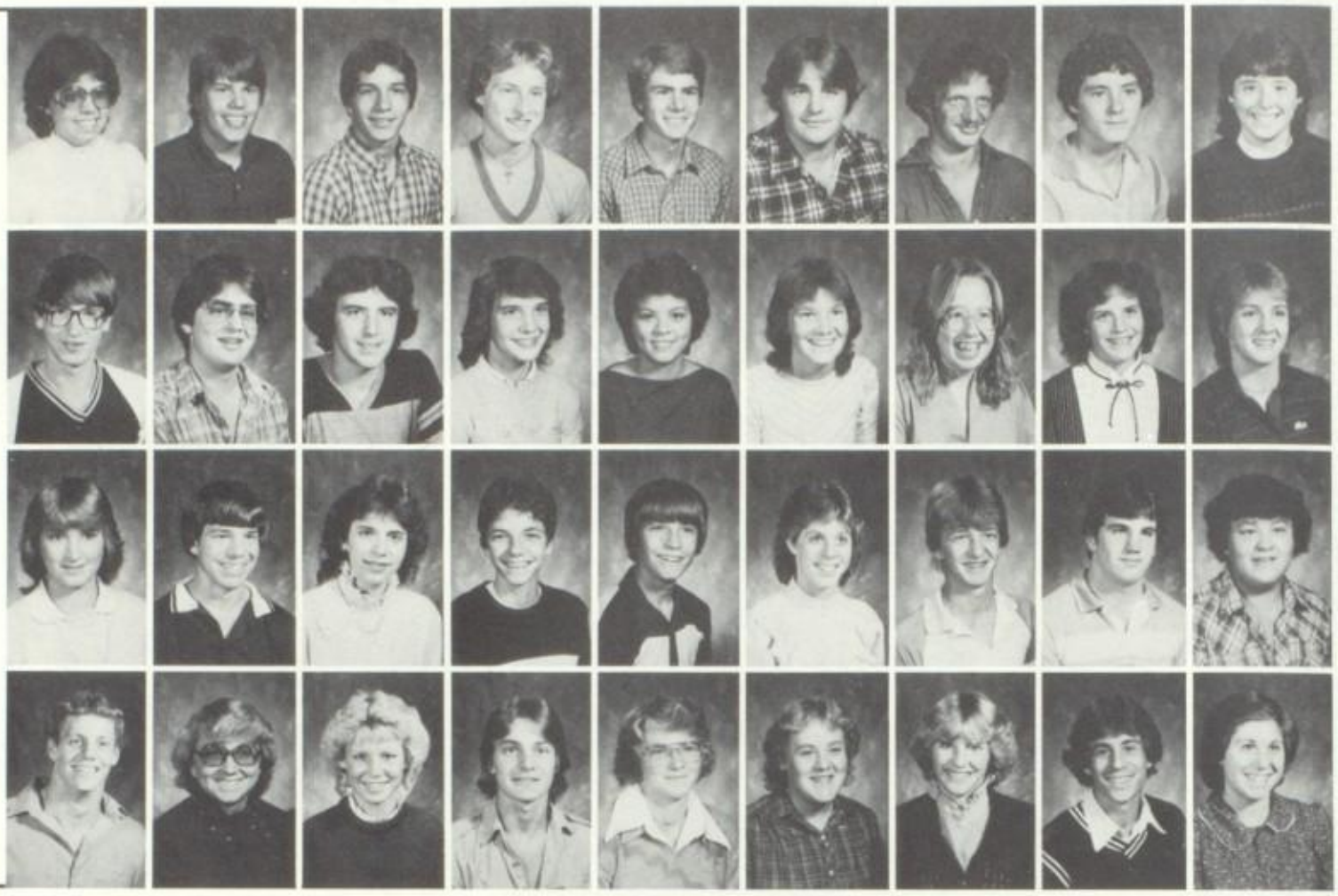


Trends: Preppy styles, E.T. popular with juniors

Changing styles, shorter haircuts and computers displayed the latest popular trends. Students spent much of their free time with video games and at the theaters watching the popular movie "E.T."

Box office smash hit "E.T., the extra terrestrial," became one of students' favorite characters. Pictures ornamented lockers and students collected unusual memorabilia of the movie such as glasses and stuffed animals.

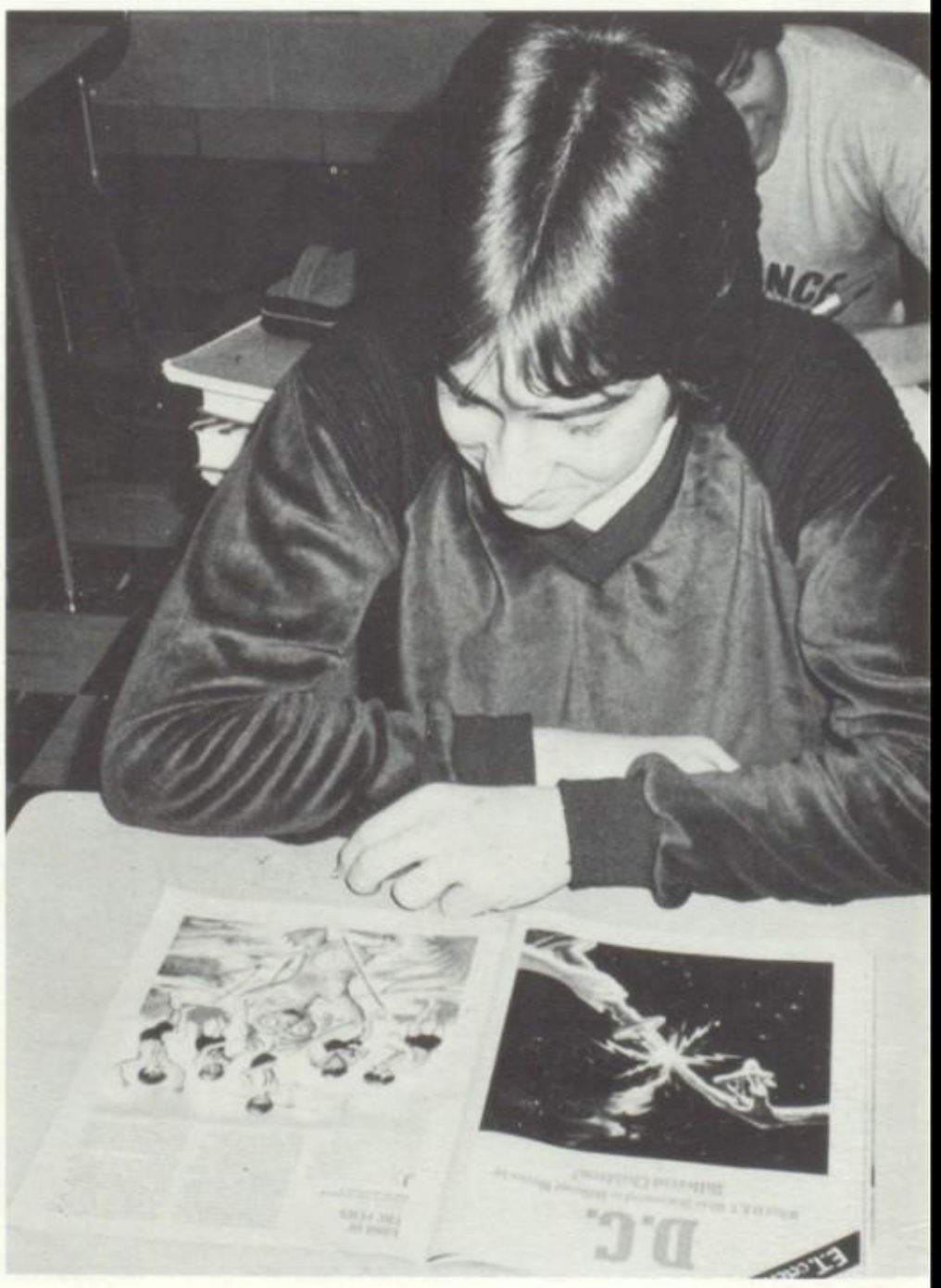
Changing styles predominated fashion throughout the year. The preppy look dominated much of the scene with tailored clothes and oxford shirts. Others leaned toward army fatigues, mini skirts, and short stylish hair cuts.

New wave rock bands also became a huge success. Groups such as "Adam and the Ants," "A Flock of Seagulls," and "The Clash," gained popularity throughout FHS. Sue Rowley confessed, "I really like the sound of the new groups."

Video games attracted numerous juniors with a quest for adventure. Students spent many hours pushing buttons and moving dials. Games like Frogger and Pac Man occupied their spare time.

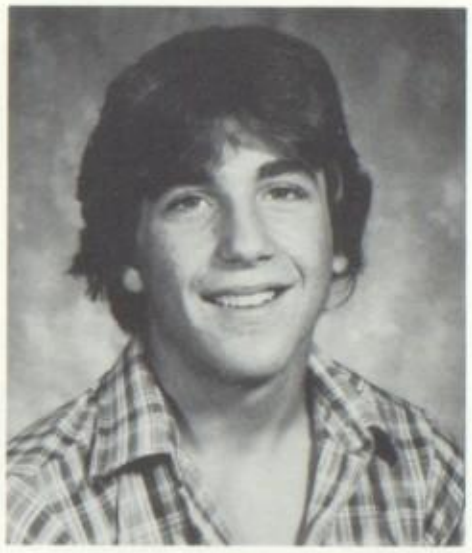
Housing four micro-computers at FHS brought about a new wave of adventure for juniors. Many spent hours writing programs for classes as well as pleasure. Paul Talcott said, "You can get a lot of neat games for a computer."

While most of the FHS population accepted the new trends and styles, some preferred the old. Many juniors still favored rock music to punk and wore Levi's jeans instead of army fatigues. Popular items differed greatly between groups and sexes.



Flipping through a magazine during reading period, junior Paul Talcott pauses at an article take-off on the popular movie character, E.T., the extra terrestrial.

On October 30, junior Tim Prisk died in a car accident on Blackhawk Island. His friends, in memory of Tim, constructed a cross and hung it on a tree in the student parking lot. It stated, "In Memory of Tim Prisk May He Live in All of Us."



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James Jung
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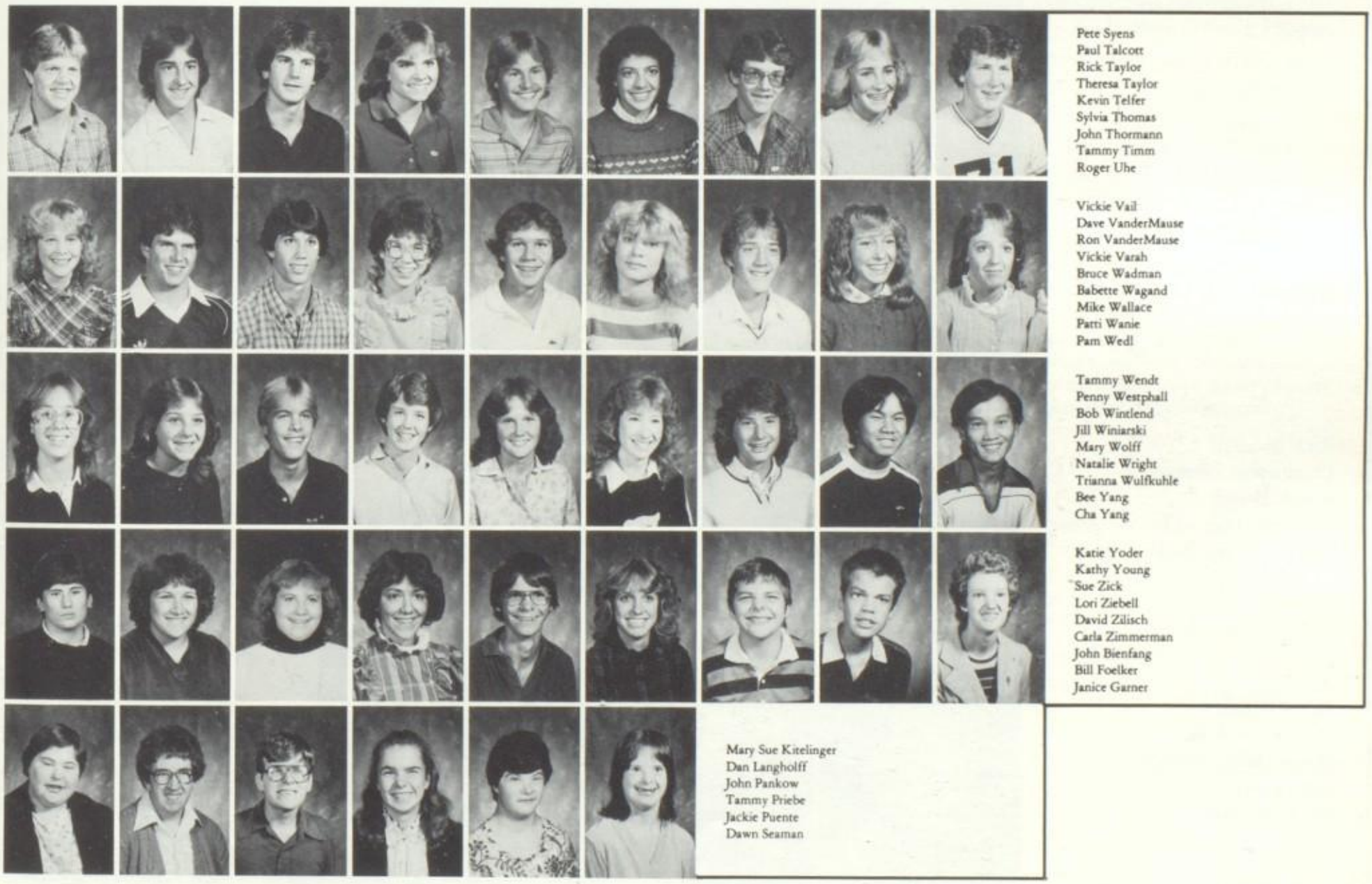
Kenneth Stoker
Steven Westphall



Pete Syens
Paul Talcott
Rick Taylor
Theresa Taylor
Kevin Telfer
Sylvia Thomas
John Thormann
Tammy Timm
Roger Uhe

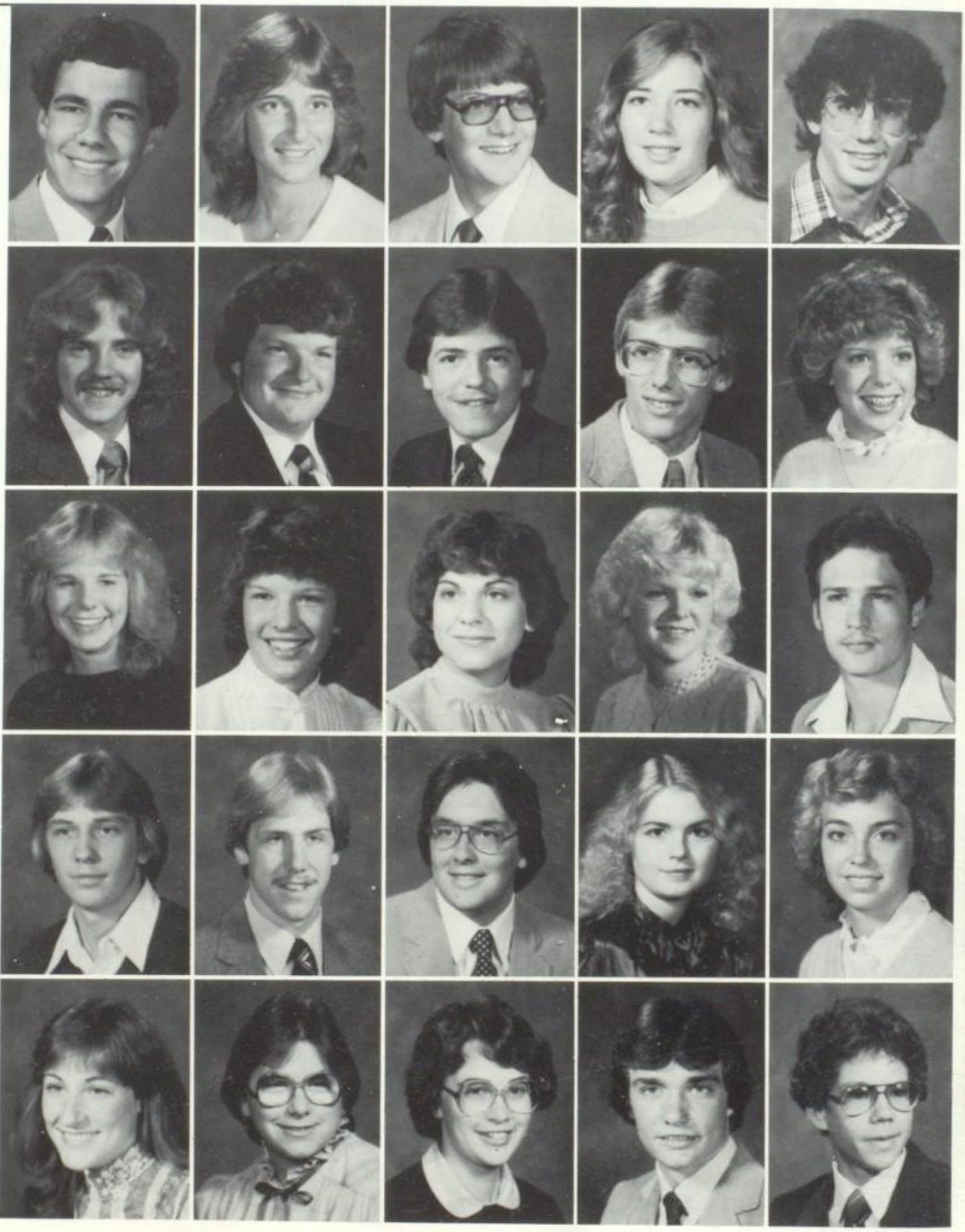
Vickie Vail
Dave VanderMause
Ron VanderMause
Vickie Varah
Bruce Wadman
Babette Wagand
Mike Wallace
Patti Wanie
Pam Wedl

Tammy Wendt
Penny Westphall
Bob Wintlend
Jill Winiarski
Mary Wolff
Natalie Wright
Trianna Wulfkuhle
Bee Yang
Cha Yang

Katie Yoder
Kathy Young
Sue Zick
Lori Ziebell
David Zilisch
Carla Zimmerman
John Bienfang
Bill Foelker
Janice Garner

Mary Sue Kitelinger
Dan Langholff
John Pankow
Tammy Priebe
Jackie Puente
Dawn Seaman

Abendroth, Brian C.: Badger Boys' State 2; F-Club 2, 3; Football 1; NHS 2, 3; Signal Staff 3; Spnaish Club 1, 2, 3; Swimming 1, 2, 3; Tennis 1, 2, 3; Volleyball 2, 3.
Adams, Barbara: Band 1, 2; Cheerleading 1; NHS 3; Redskins 3; Spanish Club 3; Tennis 1; Wind Ensemble 1, 2.
Allen, Tim: Track 3; Volleyball 2, 3.
Ames, Mari Ann Kae: French Club 1, 2, 3; Redskins 3.
Anderson, Bob
Anderson, Erik: German Club 1; Intramurals 3.
Anton, Scott
Arnold, Jeffrey R.: Chief Blackhawk 3; Electronics Club 1, 2; F-Club 2, 3; intramurals 2, 3, Team Captain 3; Signal Staff 3; Volleyball 1, 2, 3.
Bachar, Eric J.: Art League 1; Band 1, 2; Chief Blackhawk 3; F-Club 2, 3; Intramurals 1, 2, 3, Team Captain 3; NHS 2, 3; Photo Club 1, 2, 3; Signal Staff 1, 2, 3, Photo Editor 2, 3; Tennis 1, 2, 3; Volleyball 1, 2, 3; Wind Ensemble 1, 2.
Baio, Nancy J.: Cheerleading 1, 2, Captain 2; Homecoming Court 2.
Baker, Jane M.: Basketball 1; F-Club 3; Intramurals 2, 3; Softball 2, 3; Spanish Club 1, 2, 3, V-Pres. 2, Pres. 3; Volleyball 1, 2, 3.
Bauer, JoEllen: AFS 3; Cheerleading 1, 2, Captain 1; Class Officer, Pres. 3; F-Club 3; Intramurals 2, 3; Redskins 2, 3; Spanish Club 1; Student Council 2, 3; Tchogeerrah 1, 2, 3, Student Life Ed. 2, People Ed. 3.
Beckman, Lynn R.: AFS 1, 2, 3, V-Pres. 3; French Club 3; Signal Staff 3; Student Council 1, 3.
Behselich, Lorin: All-School Play Crew 2; Band 1; Redskins 2, 3.
Beltrone, Greg: Intramurals 3.
Bicknell, Rick
Braman, Christopher: AFS 2, 3; All School Play 3; Americans Abroad 2; Badger Boys' State 2; German Club 2, 3; NHS 2, 3.
Brandt, Randy
Breitsprecher, Kathleen T.: All-School Play 1, 2; Badger Girls' State 2; Concert Choir 1, 2, 3; Forensics 1, 3; French Club 1, 2, 3; NHS 2, 3; Redskins 1; RJ Singers 2, 3; Signal Staff 1, 2, 3.
Brule, Kristine M.: Band 1, 2, 3; Cheerleading 3; Color Guard 1, 2, 3, Capt. 3; Flagline 1, 2, 3, Capt. 3; RJ Singers 3.
Bundick, Penni: Band 1, 2, 3; Cheerleading 1, 2, 3; F-Club 3; Spanish Club 1.
Choichois, Paula: Band 1, 2, 3; Concert Choir 2; Orchestra 2; RJ Singers 3; Wind Ensemble 2, 3.
Christian, Brenda J.: All-School Play Crew 1; Color Guard 1; Concert Choir 1, 2; Flagline 1; Softball 1.
Ciske, Scott: Baseball 1, 2, 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3; F-Club 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3.
Damrow, Dave: Track 1.



Brian C. Abendroth
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Scott Anton
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Eric J. Bachar
Nancy J. Baio

Jane M. Baker
Jo Ellen Bauer
Lynn R. Beckman
Lorin Behselich
Greg Beltrone

Rick Bicknell
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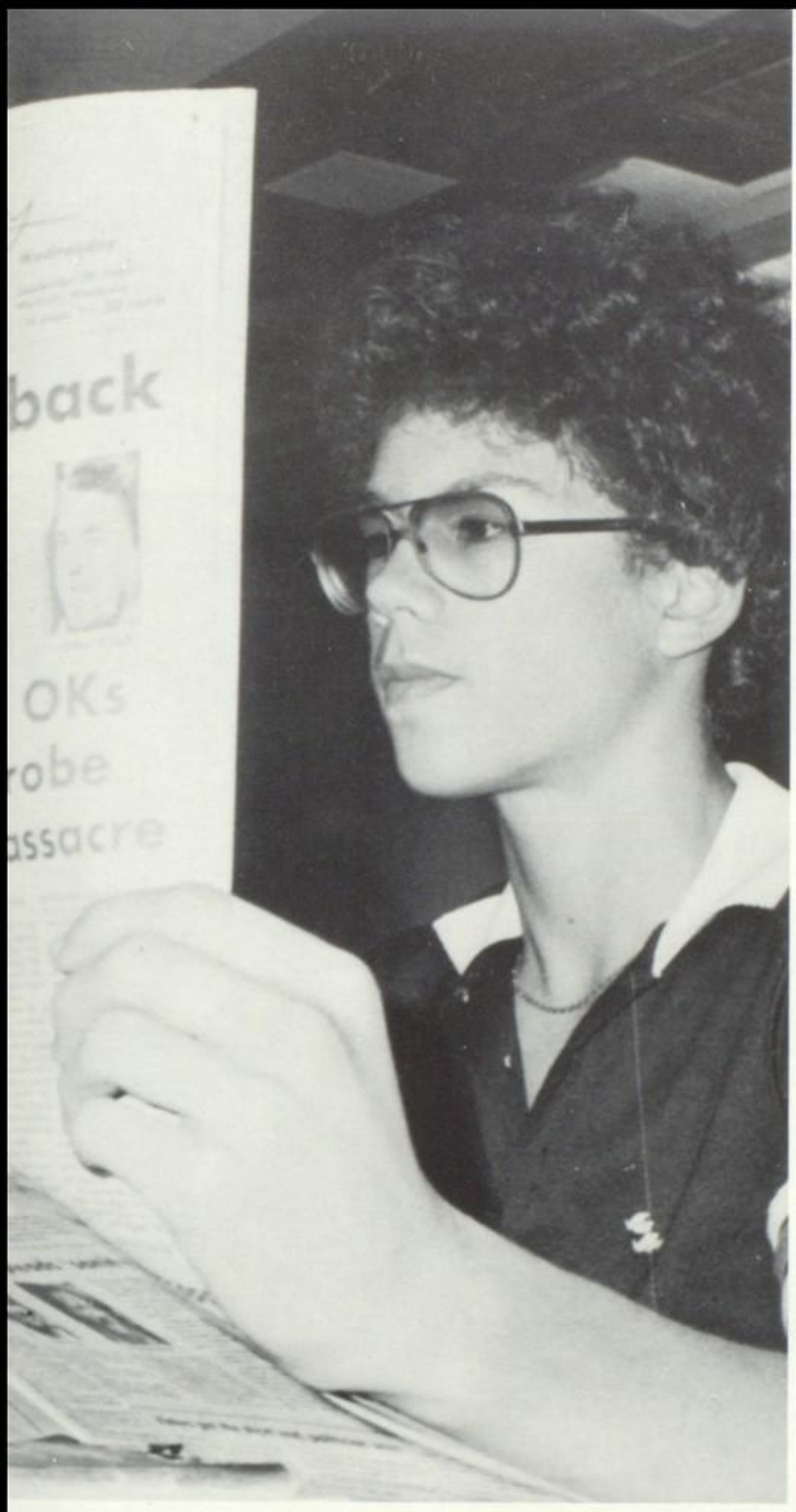


Now: Seniors uneasy with economy; Brewer fans exhibit devotion

As the pressures of society deepened, the anguish for some proved too much to handle, and they turned to society in anger and revenge. In Chicago, seven people purchased Tylenol that later killed them, as authorities found the capsules laced with cyanide.

Fighting in the Middle East continued through another year. U.S. troops journeyed to Lebanon, under President Reagan's orders, in hopes of keeping peace between the Palestineians and Israelis.

Rising gas prices and a bleak job market indicated the state of the economy. Jones Dairy farm, a local private business, found workers striking and picketing in rejection of a pay reduction. Inflation put many people in a unquestionably difficult position.

Pro football players also went on strike against the National Football League in September in hopes of an eventual pay raise. In place of the televised pro football games, students observed baseball, Canadian football, and Division III College football.

Just as the excitement of the royal wedding of Prince Charles of Wales and Lady Diana began to diminish, a new spark once again caught the public's eye. In June, a baby named William delighted the world as he became the next heir to the British throne.

Stress mounted throughout the world with overseas fighting and a depressed American economy. Students watched current events happening every day. Seniors like Todd Schoen seemed especially affected. "Right now, the economy is very poor, but I feel a solution is near," Schoen cited.

In the state legislature, senators debated over two drinking issues that would affect seniors. A strict drunk driving law passed and took effect last May, while raising the drinking age to 19 or 21 remained a controversial topic.

Avid Brewer fans circulated throughout the school. Students, faculty, and custodians found themselves attracted to the American League Champs, and front running MVP, Robin Yount. After a neck and neck battle for the championship the Brewers lost to St. Louis in the final game of the World Series, 6-3.

Senior Dave Damrow reads about President Reagan sending Marines back to Lebanon. The high school library proved a good spot to catch up on current events.

Watching the final game of the Series, senior Chris Mode cheers on Brewer pitcher Pete Vuckovich. The Brewers lost the last game of the best of seven series.

Embarrassment: Seniors recall bad times; memories draw red faces

Embarrassing moments have always plagued students and continued to. Whether it related to a joke with friends, or a happening known by the entire student body, the moments struck everyone.

Losing gym shorts to a sneaky friend during practice brought a blush to many students' faces. "It really doesn't sound that bad," commented one senior, "but it is pretty embarrassing when you look to the door and see the guys' basketball team watching!"

Nicknames often began after an embarrassing scene. Being called an airhead, a flake, dizzy, or even a doughhead haunted several students, and sometimes stuck with them all through high school.

Some students experienced a different kind of embarrassment. Gianni Fritoli, one of two 1983 AFS students, fit into the category of misunderstanding. The fact that he couldn't always understand American words and expressions aroused classmates' laughter.

"The worst moment," Gianni explained, "was my first day of football. The coach gave directions and I didn't know where to go, so I just ran. I was embarrassed, but my teammates laughed."

Situations seemed hardest to handle when classmates lingered nearby. The single stairwell offered the perfect opportunity for this. One missed stair, or the dropping of an armload of books, and the entire school seemed to know.

The lobby, a senior hang-out, also acted as a prize spot for making a scene. "It is really embarrassing to be walking through the lobby at lunch and get nailed by a grape," joked Kris Jahnke.

"There will always be embarrassing times, but it seems that you learn how to handle them and it seems to get easier to brush them off," commented Jane Baker.

After losing an armload of books between classes, senior Jenny Penfield hurriedly picks up her things, hoping that the incident goes unnoticed.

In the lobby during lunch, Roger Rumppe nonchantly removes his hat, hoping to smooth down his hair before any of his classmates notice the static electricity.

Dexter, Rick: Basketball 1; F-Club 3; Football 1, 3; Intramurals 2, 3; Team Captain 3; Signal Staff 3; Spanish Club 1, 2.

Dostalek, Brian: Baseball 1, 2, 3; Intramurals 2, 3; Signal Staff 3; Volleyball Team 2, 3.

Draves, Brian: Track 2.

Edwardson, Lori L.: Band 1, 2, 3; Student Council 2; Track 2, 3; Wind Ensemble 2, 3.

Elliott, Dan

Erdman, Pennie: Band 1, 2; Cheerleading 1, 2, 3, Capt. 3; F-Club 3; Orchestra 2; Prom Court 2; Redskins 2, 3; Spanish Club 1, 2, Sec. 2; Student Council 2, 3.

Fairfield, Susan M.: AFS 2, 3; Art League 1, 2, 3; Redskins 2, 3; Tchogeerrah 1, 2, 3; Sports Ed. 2, Assoc. Ed. 3, Teen Talk 2, 3.

Fehr, Gene A.: Transfer Student From Illinois.

Feller, Susan: BAnd 1, 2, 3.

Fischer, Christopher C.: Baseball 1, 2, 3.

Fixmer, Mark A.: Concert Choir 2, 3.

Fleming, Steve: Chess Club 3.

Foelker, Luke

Folk, Pat: Art League 2, 3; French Club 2, 3.

Freeman, Kelly

Frey, Kierstin: All-School Play 2, 3; Conservation Club 1, 2; Flagline 2; Forensics 2, 3; German Club 1, 2, 3; Signal Staff 2, 3; Thespians 2.

Fullerton, Jason: Transfer From Lake Mills, 1982; Wrestling 3.

Furley, Jody: Art League 3; Concert Choir 2.

Gaber, Greg: Baseball 1, 2, 3; Football 3; German Club 2; Intramurals 1, 2.

Garbisch, Tami Jean

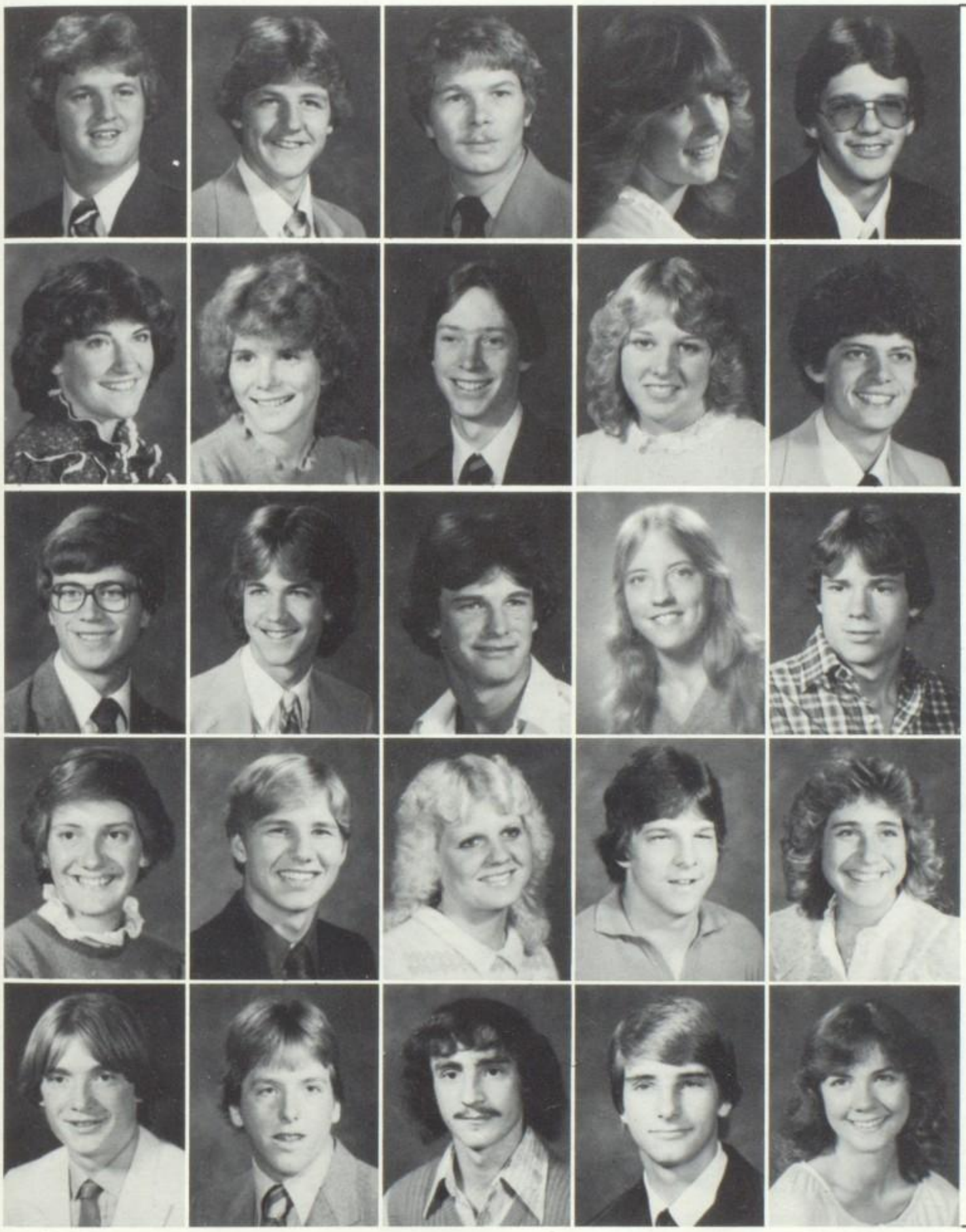
Frittoli, Gianni: AFS 3; Football 3; AFS Student From Italy.

Glass, James T.: Football 1, 2, 3, Mgr. 3; Golf 2, 3; Intramurals 2, 3.

Goldsmith, Allen: FFA 1, 2.

Golinski, Steven G.: Art League.

Goodman, Kathy: Band 1, 2, 3; Cheerleading 1, 2, 3, Capt. 2; Tchogeerrah 1, 2.



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Christopher C. Fisher

Mark Anthony Fixmer
Steve Fleming
Luke Foelker
Pat Folk
Kelly Freeman

Kierstin Frey
Jason Fullerton
Jody Furley
Greg Gaber
Tami Jean Garbisch

Gianni Frittoli
James T. Glass
Allen Goldsmith
Steven G. Golinski
Kathy Goodman

Travelers:

Braman experiences personal change from AFS venture; Rumppe's first impression altered by armed soldiers

Imagine traveling to any country in the world. Which would be prettiest or have the nicest climate and people? Two seniors earned the opportunity to find out. After AFS accepted them, Chris Braman traveled to Finland and Roger Rumppe to Israel.

Chris Braman started his two month experience in Finland upon arriving in the city of Helsinki the country's capital and largest city, on June 23. There he met his host family, the Niemäläs, and traveled even further to his new home, the farm village of Autti, located near the Arctic Circle.

Chris learned to enjoy many different foods, including blood pancakes. "After you get over the idea that they're made out of cow's blood, they're really good," stated Chris. Also during his visit, Chris taught English to Finnish students for two weeks.

Later Chris moved to the city of Kantuik with his second family, the Hämelämens. He felt that the city contained much American influence. Chris returned to Wisconsin on August 25 with psoitive feelings. "I feel that I've changed a lot. I don't want to change back to who I was because I like myself better now."

Roger Rumppe left the United States on June 21. He traveled to Israel where he met his host family in the city of Afula. Roger's strongest first impression came when he got off the plane and saw an armed soldier stationed at the bottom of the exit ramp.

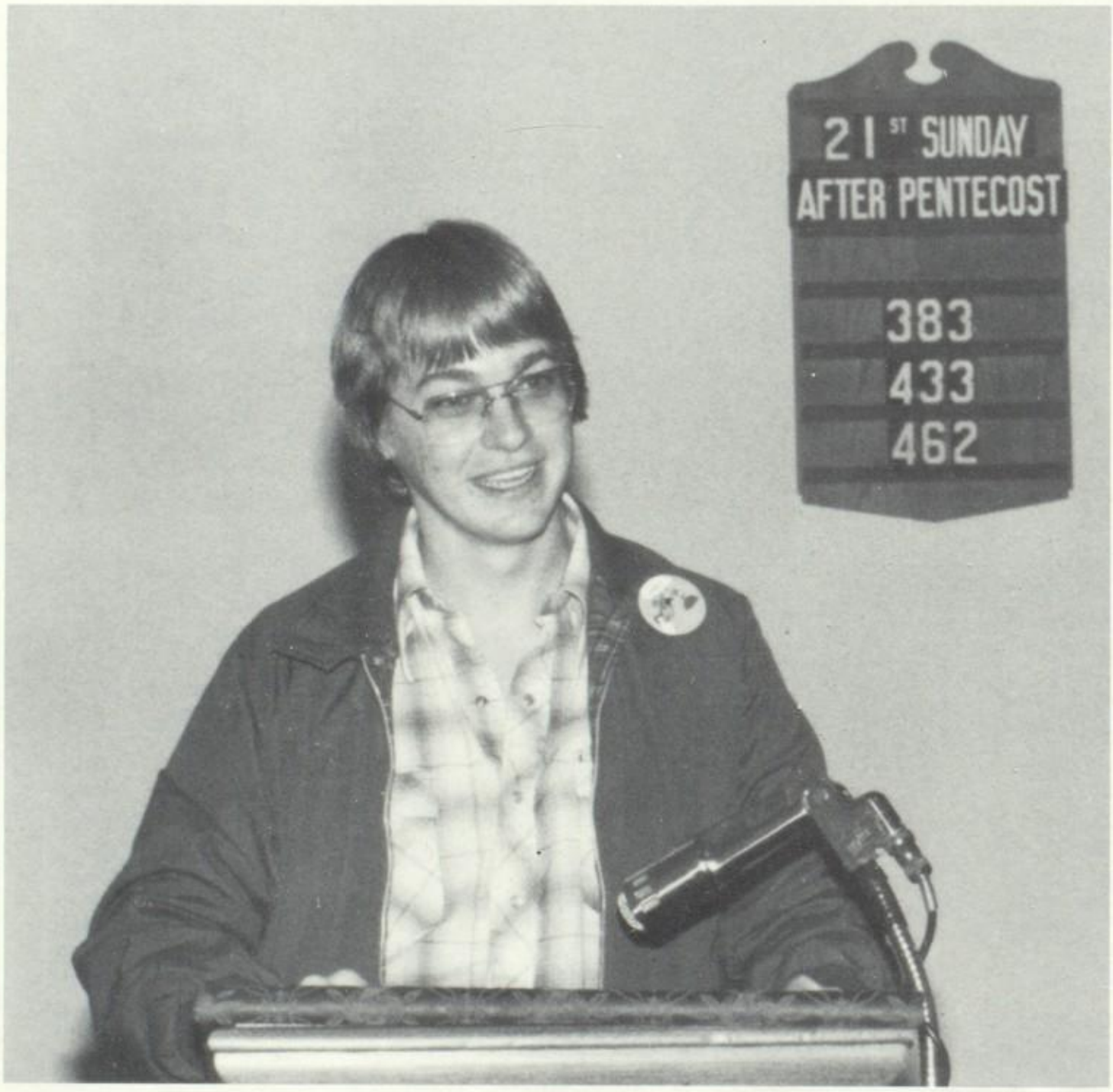
Israel's war against the Palestinians almost prevented Roger from going. One week before he left, AFS officials contacted Roger and 41 other students nationwide headed for Israel, concerned about the country's safety. Everyone chose to risk the dangers.

Roger claimed that the war wasn't a real threat. He remained aware of it, however. Armed soldiers patrolled everywhere. "At first, seeing them was scary, but after awhile I got used to them and actually felt safer because they were there," he remarked.

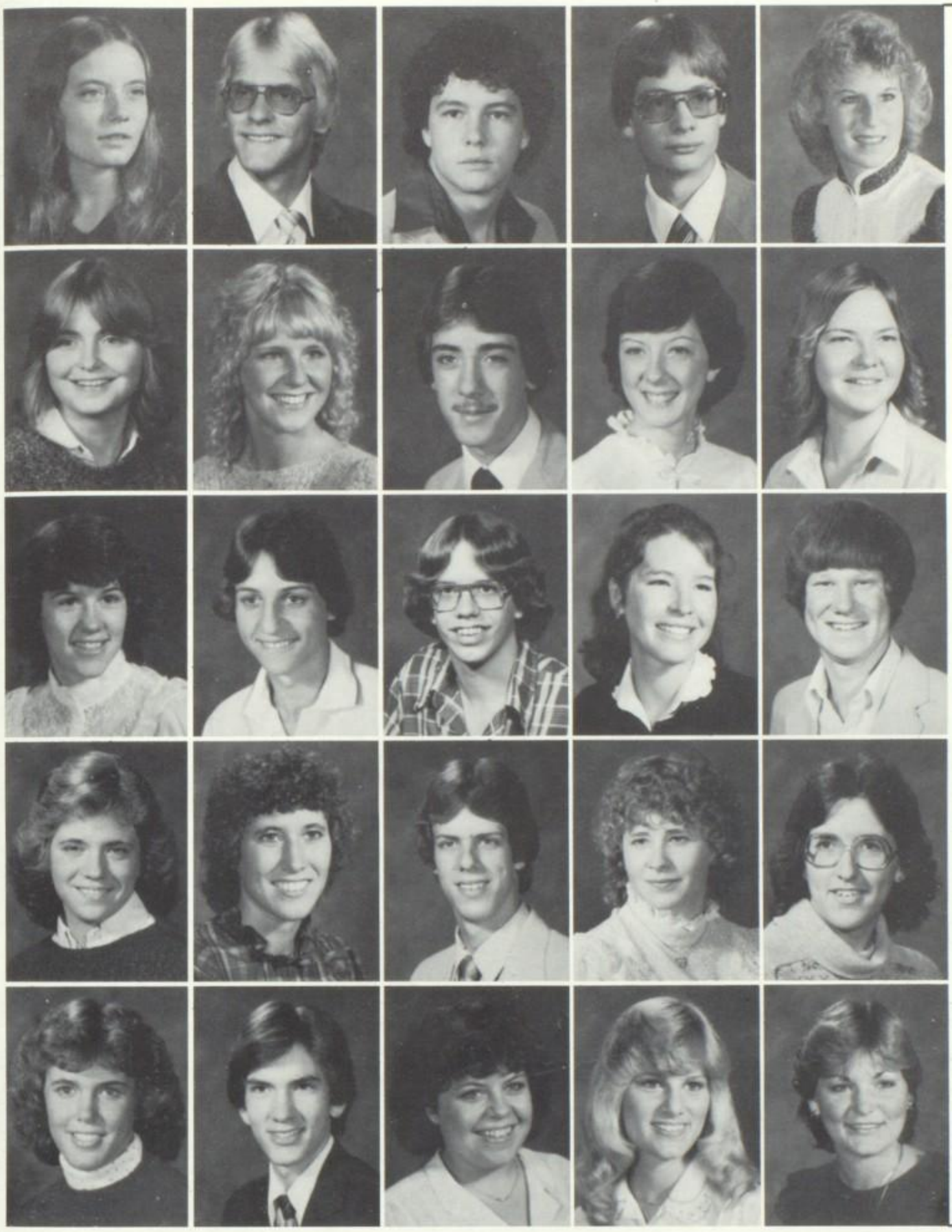
"Israel is not all desert. In fact, it's a lot like Wisconsin except for the palm trees," Roger corrected American's inaccurate views about the Middle East. Roger saw much of the country, including Nazareth, Jerusalem and the Mediterranean and Dead Seas.

Roger headed back to the United States from one of the two Israeli airports. At home he told local groups about his experiences and led the Fort Atkinson student chapter of the AFS as club president. Roger admitted, "If I had the money I'd go back again."

At St. Peter's Episcopal Church Men's Club meeting, Roger Rumppe answers questions about his summer AFS trip when he stayed in Afula, Israel, for two months.



Griedl, Sandra L.: Art League 3.
Grischow, Matt
Guttenberg, Mark L.
Hagenow, Ed
Hagner, Laurie L.: Band 1, 2, 3; Cheerleading 2, 3; Concert Choir 1; Prom Court 2; Prom Queen 2; Redskins 1, 2, 3; RJ Singers 2; Spanish Club 1, 2, 3; Tennis 1.
Halverson, Laurie: Softball 3.
Hanewold, Patti: Art League 3; Pom Pon 3.
Haney, Maria: French Club 3.
Haney, Bill: Basketball 12.
Hayes, Suzanne M.: Wrestling Manager 1, 2, 3.
Hedin, Allison: AFS 3; Cheerleading 1, 2; F-Club 1, 2, 3; Intramurals 2, 3; Redskins 1, 2; Spanish Club 1; Student Council 2, 3; Tchogeerrah 1, 2, 3; Teen Talk 3; Track 1, 2, 3.
Heffron, Brent: Baseball 2, 3.
Heine, Karl
Henning, Heidi L.: AFS 3; Band 1, 2, 3; NHS 2, 3; Redskins 1, 2, 3; Spanish Club 1, 2; Student Council 1; Tennis 1, 2; Wind Ensemble 2, 3.
Hinrichs, John: Baseball 1, 3; Intramurals 1, 2, 3; Student Council 1; Volleyball 12.
Hinz, Heidi J.: AFS 3; Art League 2, 3; Band 1, 2; Cheerleading 1; F-Club 1, 2, 3; German Club 1, 2, 3; Intramurals 1, 2, 3; Orchestra 1, 2; Redskins 2, 3; Softball 1; Student Council 1, 2, 3; Tennis 1, 2; Track 2, 3; Wind Ensemble 1.
Hollenbeck, Donora J.: Basketball 1, 2, 3, Co-Captain 2, 3; F-Club 1, 2, 3; German Club 2, 3; Redskins 2, 3; Track 1, 2, 3, Co-Captain 3.
Hollenbeck, James L.: Basketball 1; F-Club 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3; Golf 1; Intramurals 2, 3; Prom Court 2.
Hopp, Tammy: Color Guard 2, 3; Flagline 2, 3; Spanish Club 3.
Hupke, Dixie L.: F-Club 2, 3; Track 1, 2, 3; Volleyball 2, 3.
Jahnke, Kris: Band 1, 2; Basketball 1, 2, 3; F-Club 1, 2, 3; Student Council 2; Track 2; Volleyball 1, 2, 3.
Jansen, Gary W.: AFS 2; All-School Play 2; Band 1; Concert Choir 1; Forensics 2; French Club 3; RJ Singers 1, 2, 3; Student Council 1.
Jansen, Jacqueline: AFS 1, 2, 3; Forensics 1, 3; Spanish Club 1, 2, 3.
Johnson, Kimberly K.: Cheerleading 1, 2, 3; F-Club 3; Intramurals 2, 3; Spanish Club 2, 3; Student Council 2, 3; Track 2.
Jung, Lauri A.: Band 1; F-Club 1, 2, 3; Spanish Club 2, 3; Swimming 1, 2, 3.



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Suzanne M. Hayes

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Karl Heine
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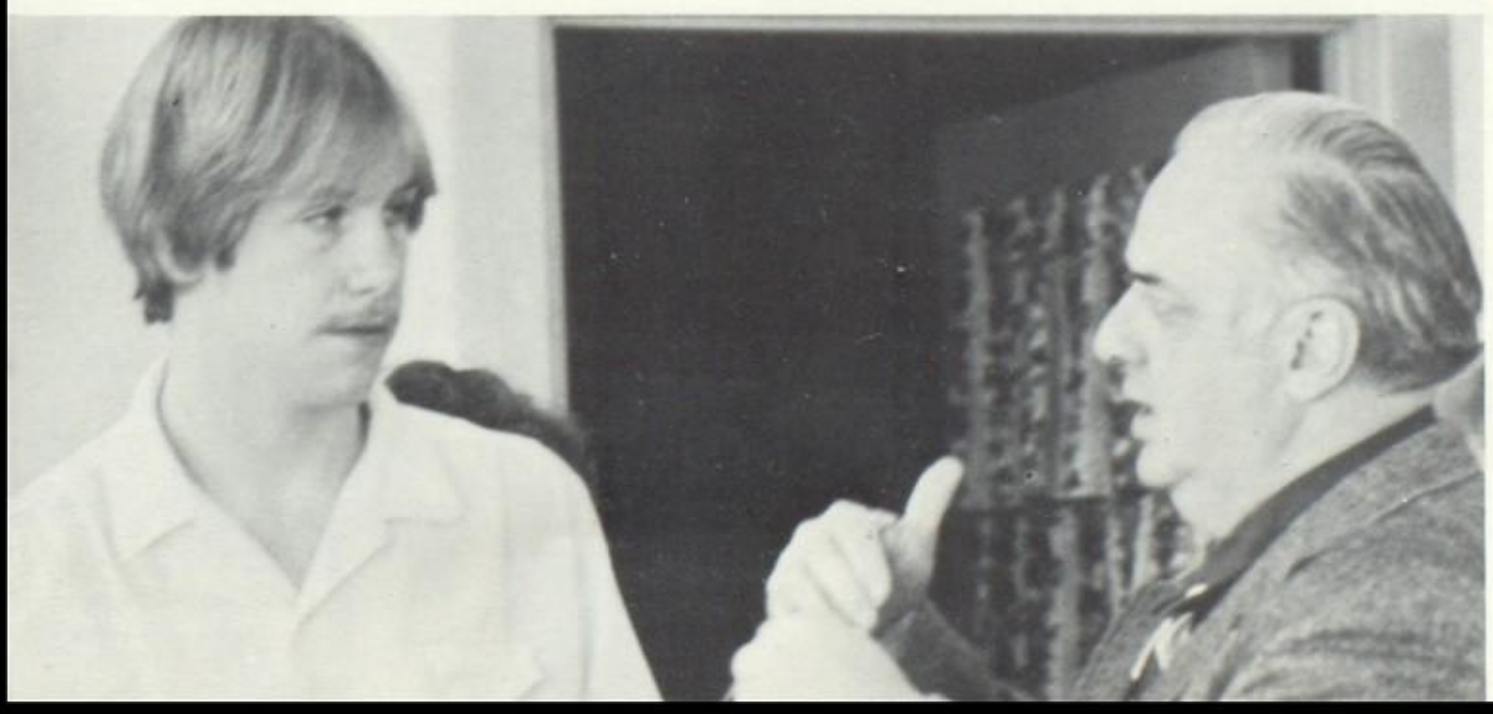

During a German Club dinner, in the spring, adviser Mr. Moore explains to junior Chris Braman some of the customs he would encounter in Finland.

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Kurt Kleifgen

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Alan Koeppel
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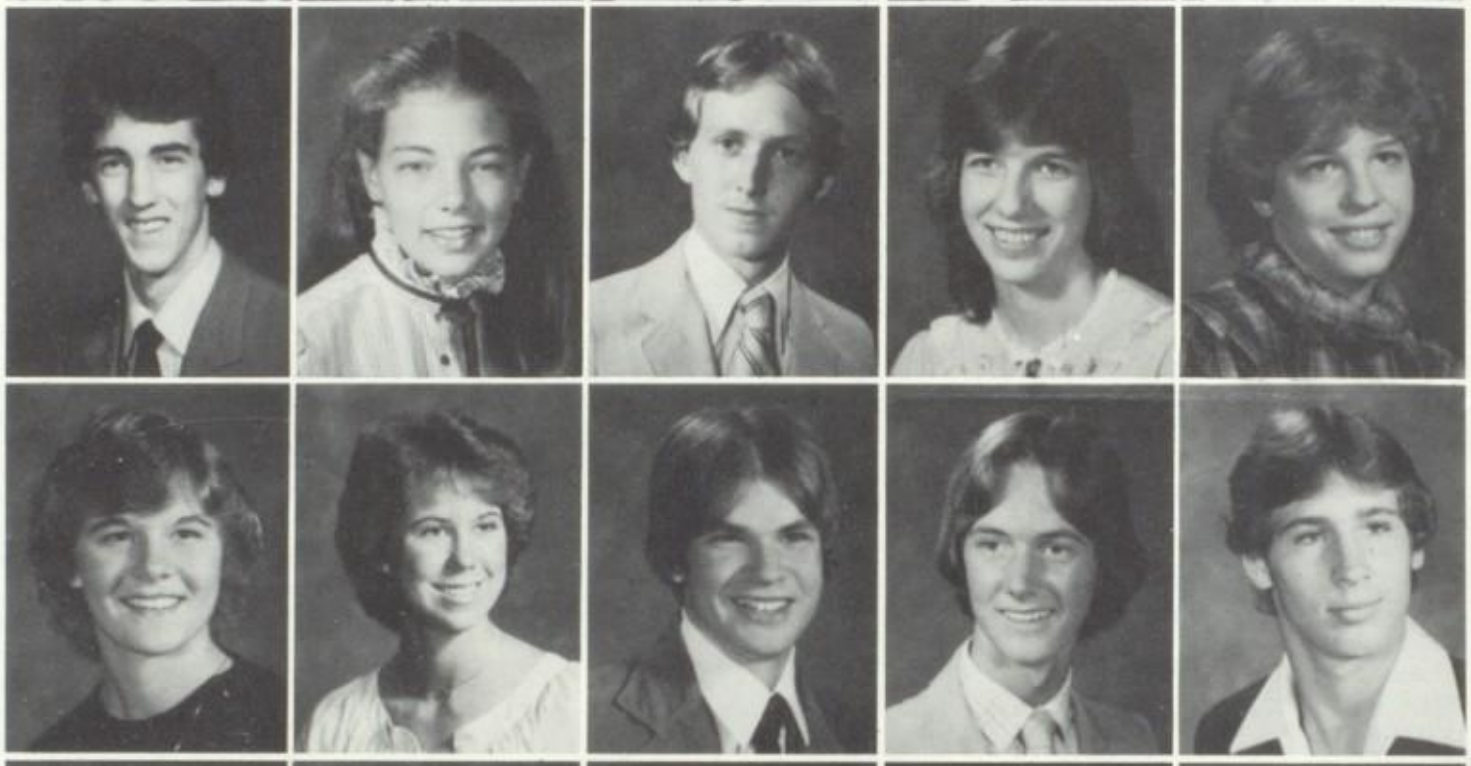

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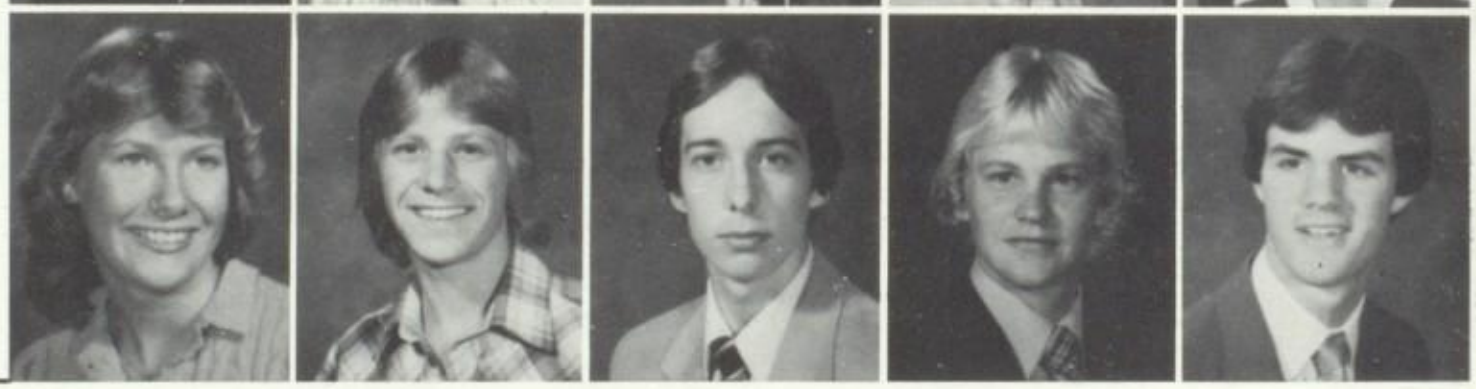


While attending the annual German Club Christmas dinner, Heidl Hinz attempts to cut her meal of beef cabbage rolls and bratwurst prepared by Kirsten Larson.

Kellen, David

Kern, Steve A.: Tchogeerrah 1.

Kleifgen, Jurt

Klemme, Kris: Basketball 1; Intramurals 2, 3; Softball 1, 2, 3; Volleyball 1, 2, 3.

Koeppel, Alan R.: Baseball 1, 2, 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3; F-Club 2, 3; Prom Court 2; Volleyball 1, 2, 3.

Kostichka, Susan M.: All-School Play Crew 2, 3; Redskins 2, 3.

Krance, Michael G.: FFA 1, 2, 3.

Krantz, Sue

Kruyne, Jack: Art League 2; Intramurals 3; Orchestra 1, 2, 3; Volleyball 1, 2, 3.

Kruyne, Jill: All-School Play Crew 2, 3; Intramurals 2; Orchestra 1, 2, 3; Spanish Club 2; Student Council 3.

Kyle, Jim: Band 1, 2, 3; German Club 2, 3.

Lange, Kimberly J.: Color Guard 2, 3; Flagline 2, 3.

Langholff, Wendy: Volleyball 1.

Lansing, Ruth: Band 1; Cheerleading 1, 2; F-Club 1, 2, 3.

Larson, Kirsten: Badger Girls' State 2; Band 1, 2; Class Officer 2; F-Club 1, 2, 3; German Club 1, 2, 3; Intramurals 1, 2, 3; NHS 1, 2, 3; Student Council 1, 2, 3, Pres. 3; Track 1, 2; Volleyball 1, 2, 3.

Last, William C.: Basketball 1; Cross Country 1; Intramurals 2, 3; Track 3.

Lauritzen, Donald E.: AFS 2; All-School Play 1; Band 1, 2; Concert Choir 1; Forensics 1; French Club 2, 3; RJ Singers 1; Student Council 1; Thespians 2; Volleyball 1; Wind Ensemble 1, 2.

Lenz, Steve: Football 1, 3; Wrestling 1, 2, 3.

Letcher, Laura: AFS 1; French Club 1, 2, 3; Intramurals 1, 2, 3; NHS 2, 3; Redskins 2, 3; Student Council 3; Tchogeerrah 2, 3, Bus. Mgr. 3; Tennis 1, 2, 3.

Lewis, Richard B.

Lindh, Peder A.: Football 1; Intramurals 1, 2, 3.

Lutz, Jamie: Wrestling 2, 3.

Manley, Michael: Badger Boys' State 2; Baseball 1, 2, 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3; F-Club 2, 3, Pres. 3; Football 1; NHS 1, 2, 3; Spanish Club 1, 2; Tchogeerrah 2, 3; Volleyball 2, 3.

Cravings: Pizza, eggs become morning eyeopeners

"Peanuts, popcorn, sweet-potato pie; pancakes piled up 'till they reach the sky!" sang Mickey Mouse in a Disney movie. According to lobby facts, seniors enjoyed eating as much as Mickey.

Most seniors claimed to eat breakfast. Laurie Hagner confessed, "I don't feel right by lunchtime without breakfast." Students ate a variety of foods for their first meal, including cereal, toast with peanut butter, and eggs. Scott Ciske enjoyed cold pizza.

Hot lunch and brown bags gave seniors two options for lunch. Students who preferred a hot meal took advantage of the cafeteria, while brown-baggers relied on food from home. The average sack lunch contained a sandwich, a piece of fruit and some junk food.

Bulging tummies and flabby legs inspired some seniors to diet. Few went on pre-planned programs from books or doctors. Most relied on will power and snacking less, while fruit, salads and poultry replaced fatty foods like hamburgers and french fries.

Personal favorites differed from senior to senior. Pizza, tacos, spaghetti and shrimp ranked high on many lists. Al Koeppel revealed, "When I sit at home I munch out on slices of cheese." Al especially enjoyed peeling the wrappers off his favorite snack.

Satisfying his hunger, Bob Weh munches on a McChicken sandwich, fries and a Coke at McDonald's. Many students went to McDonald's and Pizza Hut after games.

After purchasing a Twix candy bar in the waning moments of his lunch hour, Scott Ciske rushes to finish them before entering Computer Programming.

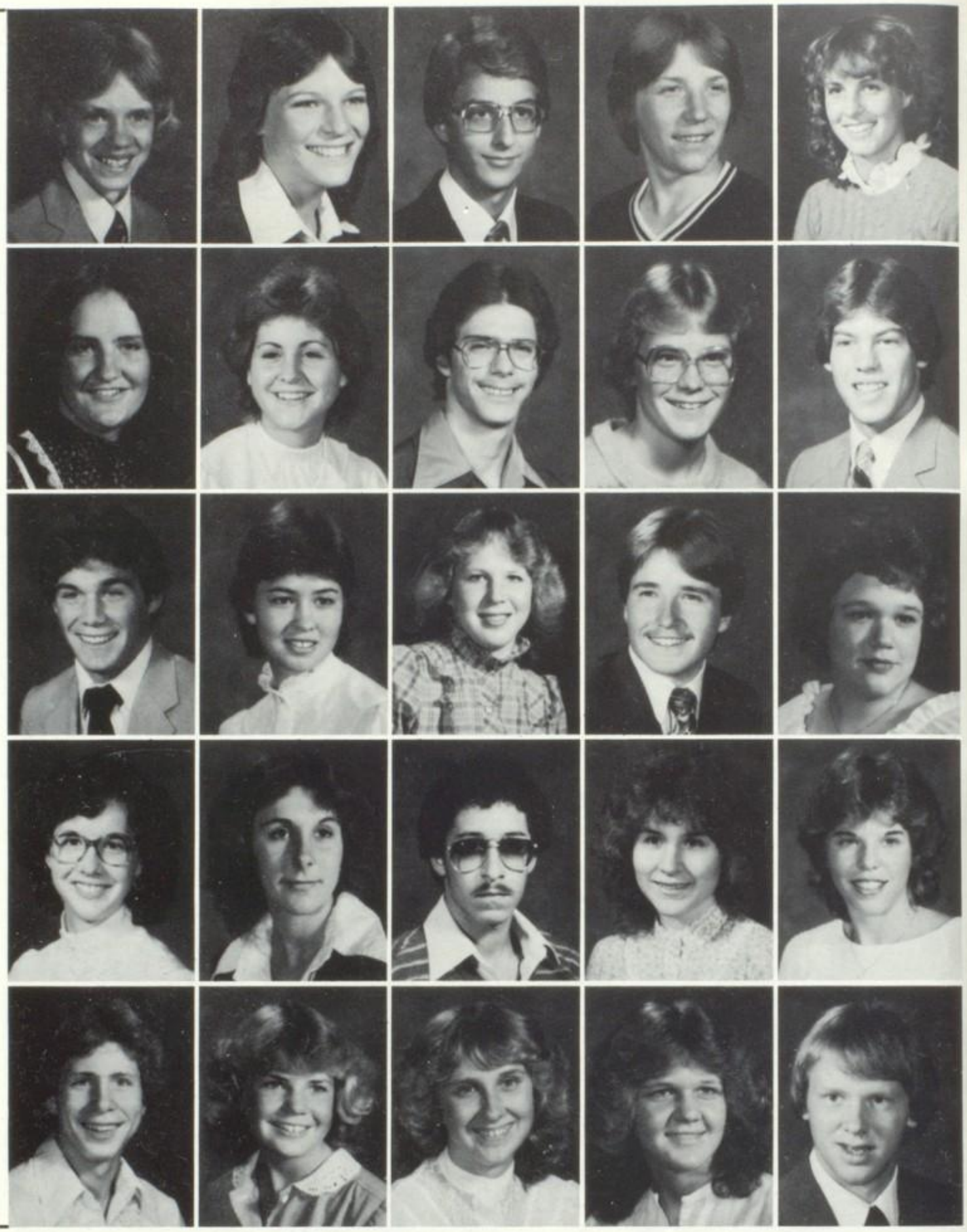
Dan Marsden
Lisa K. Martin
Mark A. McGowan
Jody L. Mepham
Peggy Merrick

Joyce L. Meske
Sheryl A. Meske
John E. Mickelson
Chris Mode
John Mooney

Keith Neubert
Sandra Newell
Kristi K. Niederwerfer
Matthew Nystad
Erin K. O'Connor

Lisa A. Olsen
Deb O'Neil
Thomas Partoll
Lavinia H. Payson
Genevieve B. Penfield

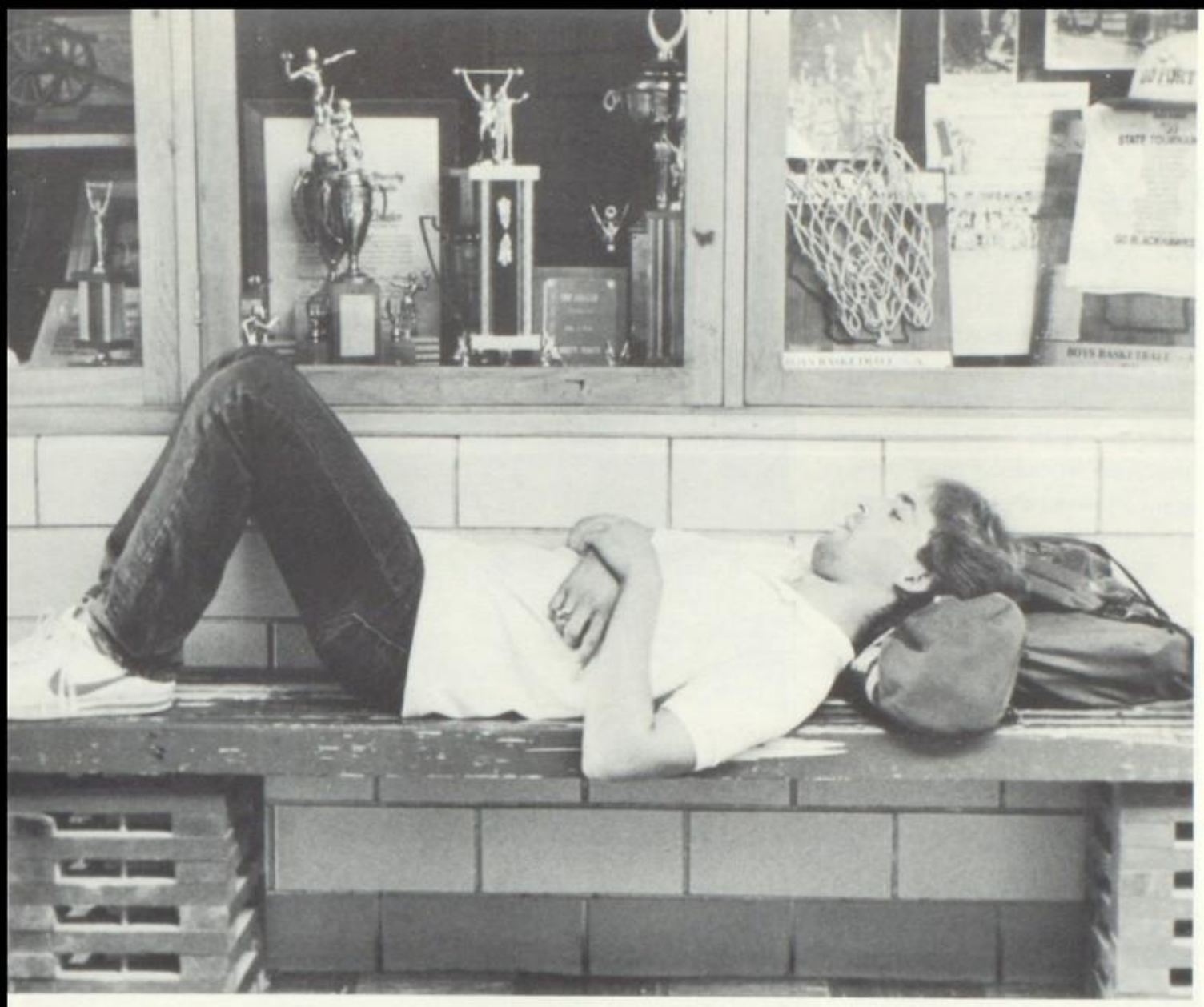
Mike Pennell
Beth A. Plambeck
Chris Polzin
Debra J. Porter
Tim Preuninger



Marsden, Dan.
Martin, Lisa K.: Art League 3; FFA 2.
McGowan, Mark A.: Band 1, 2, 3; Swimming 2, 3.
Mepham, Jody L.: Basketball 1.
Merrick, Peggy: AFS 2, 3, Sec.-Treas.; Class Officer 3, Sec.-Treas.; NHS 2, 3; Redskins 2, 3; Softball 1, 2; Student Council 2; Tchogeerrah 1, 2, 3, Editor 3; Teen Talk 2; Volleyball 1, 2.
Meske, Joyce L.: Band 1, 2, 3; German Club 2; Redskins 2, 3, Sec. 3; Wind Ensemble 2, 3.
Meske, Sheryl A.
Mickelson, John E.: All-School Play 1, 2, 3; Art League 1, 2, 3; Band 1; Concert Choir 2, 3; RJ Singers 3.
Mode, Chris: AFS 1, 2, 3; Art League 1, 2, 3; F-Club 3; German Club 2, 3; Intramurals 1, 2, 3; Prom Court 2; Redskins 2, 3; Softball 1, 2, 3; Student Council 3; Volleyball 2, 3.

Mooney, John: Football 1, 2; Intramurals 1, 2, 3; Spanish Club 2, 3; Track 1.
Neubert, Keith: Basketball 1, 2, 3; Football 1; Prom Court 2.
Newell, Sandra: AFS 2, 3; Badger Girls' State 2, Alt.; Band 1, 2; Class Officer 3, V. Pres.; Intramurals 1; NHS 1, 2, 3, Sec.-Treas. 3; Orchestra 1, 2; Redskins 2, 3, Sec.-Treas. 3; Tchogeerrah 2, 3, Photo Coord. 3; Teen Talk 2; Volleyball 1, 2; Wind Ensemble 1, 2.
Niederwerfer, Kristi K.: All-School Play Crew 2; Band 1, 2, 3.
Nystad, Matthew: Intramurals 2.
O'Connor, Erin K.: Concert Choir 2, 3.
Olsen, Lisa A.: Band 1, 2, 3; Chess Club 1; Forensics 2, 3; German Club 1, 2, 3.
O'Neil, Deb: Art League 2; FHA 3; Signal Staff 3.
Partoll, Thomas

Payson, Lavinia H.: All-School Play 3; All-School Play Crew 1, 2, 3; Debate 2; Forensics 1, 2, 3; French Club 2, 3.
Penfield, Genevieve B.: Band 1, 2, 3; F-Club 3; Forensics 1; Orchestra 2, 3; Student Council 1; Tchogeerrah 1; Track 2, 3.
Pennell, Mike: Concert Choir 1, 2, 3; RJ Singers 3.
Plambeck, Beth A.: AFS 1, 2, 3; Cheerleading 1, 2, 3; Concert Choir 3; F-Club 3; French Club 2, 3; Homecoming Court 1; Redskins 2, 3; Signal 3; Tchogeerrah 1, 2.
Polzin, Chris
Porter, Debra J.: Band 1, 2; F-Club 2, 3; German Club 1; Intramurals 1, 2, 3; Prom Court 2; Redskins 2, 3; Softball 1; Tennis 1, 2, 3; Wind Ensemble 1, 2.
Preuninger, Tim: FFA 1, 2, 3, Rep 1, 2, Pres. 3; Football 1; Intramurals 1, 2, 3.



In preparation for a cross country invitational, Jim Wollangk relaxes and psyches himself up in the senior-dominated lobby during his seventh hour study hall.

Anxiously awaiting their graduation day in June, seniors Lynn Beckman and Kirsten Larson size up the graduation robes in a practice run on the football field.

Pausing in the lobby after winning the homecoming yelling contest, seniors Sue Zentner and Laurie Hagner raise their fingers and don a senior poster in victory.

Senioritis:

Anxiety climaxes during final year

Senioritis, an affliction that grabs hold of all seniors at one point during their senior year, took hold of many members of the class of '83. Symptoms became clear: failure to hear bells, incapacity for mental exertion, and skipping classes.

Students who contacted senioritis viewed all school activities as a mere triviality. Simple daily school work seemed like a laborious task, and nothing became as important as going out and having a good time.

One of the most obvious symptoms displayed by a student with severe senioritis appeared to be a lack of interest in grades. "It's hard to get back into the swing of things after summer vacation," explained Doug Wangerin.

While grades took second priority for some students, others concentrated their work efforts on doing well scholastically. "I think I've improved my GPA by about 1.5 since the end of my junior year," noted senior Heidi Hinz.

Lobby-sitting marked an accomplishment for members of the senior class. "When I was a sophomore, I went all the way around the building to avoid seniors. Now that I've made it to the lobby, I understand why people get lobby lockjaw," cited Julie Witt.

As senioritis enveloped most individuals, it also drew the whole class closer together. Senior Lynn Beckman noted, "I think sharing the same problems is bringing us closer than we've ever been."

Choices: FHS seniors ponder post graduation plans

Choosing a college or other form of higher education became one of the biggest decisions seniors made. Students considered many things when deciding to continue their schooling. These included money, grades, and the time spent on an education.

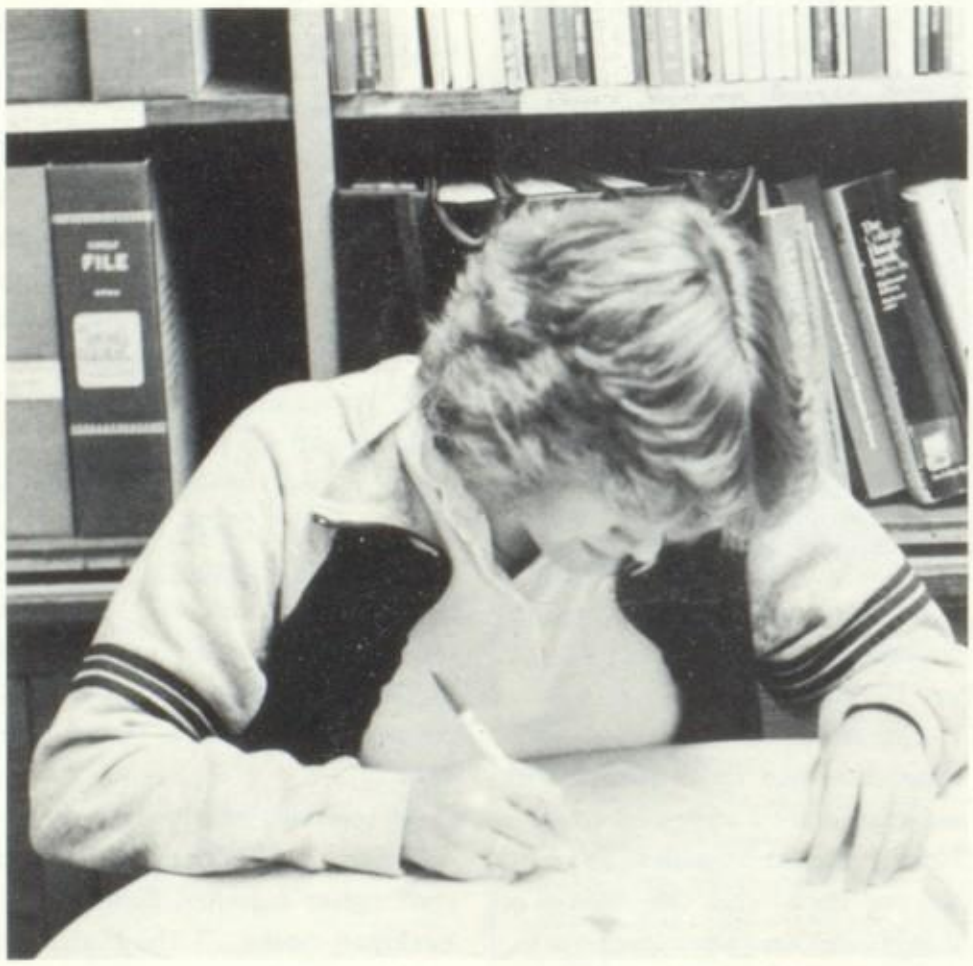
With inflation on the rise and financial aid and student loans getting harder to obtain, the question of how to finance a college education became difficult. Students turned to large scholarships and part-time employment to pay for their higher education.

When looking for a college, scholarships offered by schools played an important role. Eligibility for scholarships, however, depended largely on the student's grade point and school involvement, therefore, eliminating many schools from a student's choice.

Atmosphere and student activities often influenced a student's choice of where to go to school. Many students preferred a small campus with a lower student/teacher ratio while others leaned toward a large campus with a larger variety of activities.

When deciding upon a college to attend, the types of specialties offered and their reputation for a qulaity education became prime factors involved. Lynn Beckman commented, "I chose to go to Stevens Point because they have a really good education program."

Students chose a wide variety of campuses to attend. Most stayed in state and attended schools in the UW system or technical schools, while others ventured out of state to colleges in neighboring states, or in some cases campuses thousands of miles away.



While waiting to speak to her guidance counselor about local scholarships, senior Julie Witt begins to read over the necessary forms for college admittance.

Contemplating her numerous choices of activities after high school, Patti Welter reads over a list of technical schools provided by her guidance counselor.

Purucker, James: Football 1; Intramurals 3; Spanish Club 1.

Quill, Jane E.C.: Art League 3; German Club 3; Pom Pon 1, 2, 3; RJ Singers 3; Tchogeerrah 1; Track 2, 3.

Raasch, Heidy:

Rawding, Mark: Concert Choir 1, 2; RJ Singers 1, 2, 3; Tchogeerrah 2, 3.

Redenius, Belinda: May: FFA 1, 2, 3.

Renner, Michael: Football 1.

Riggs, Russell D.:

Roberts, Dan: Football 1, 2; Intramurals 2, 3; Wrestling 1.

Rogers, Sherry L.: FHA 2, 3.

Rudolph, Chuck:

Rumppe, Roger: AFS 2, 3, Pres. 3; Americans Abroad, 2; Band 1, 2, 3; NHS 2, 3; Orchestra 2; Signal Staff 1, 2, 3, Ed. 3; Wind Ensemble 2, 3.

Rusch, Kevin Alan:

Russell, Jodi: Art League 3; Band 1.

Samson, Andrew J.: Art League 1; Cross Country 1; Golf 3; Intramurals 2, 3; Track 1, 2; Wrestling 1, 3.

Schantz, Don: Band 1, 2, 3; Chess Club 1; NHS 2, 3; Signal Staff 1; Spanish Club 2; Tennis 1, 2; Wind Ensemble 1, 2.

Scherdin, Jim: Student Council 3, Treas. 3; Football 1; Intramurals 2, 3; Track 1, 2, 3.

Schlender, James A.: Badger Boys State Alt. 2; F-Club 3; Football 1; Intramurals 2, 3; Track 1, 2, 3.

Schoen, Todd H.: Basketball 1; F-Club 3; Golf 1, 2, 3; Intramurals 2, 3.

Schroeder, Mary:

Schultz, Kim M.: All-School Play 3; Color Guard 1, 2, 3; FHA 3; Rifle Squad 1, 2, 3; Student Council 1.

James Purucker
Jane E.C. Quill
Heidy Raasch
Mark Rawding
Belinda May Redenius

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Russell D. Riggs
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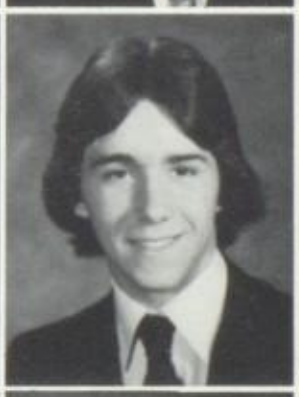
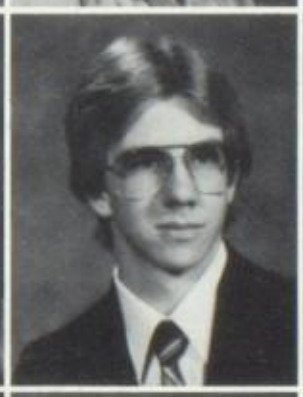




Roger Rumppe
Kevin Alan Rusch
Jodi Russell
Andrew J. Samson
Don Schantz

Jim Scherdin
James A. Schlender
Todd Schoen
Mary Schroeder
Kim M. Schultz

Ron Schultz
Heidi Anne Schwarzenbart
Robert Selberg
Lisa Siegel
Stan W. Sleaver

Rhonda Smillie
Steve Snodie
Astriana Pruaharani Soebodro
Jeffery Todd Stahl
Dawn Renee Stelse

Sherry L. Stork
Tracy A. Strand
Peggy Sykes
Donn H. Thorgerson
Scott Thorman

Hans Tillander
Wanda S. Uhe
Dave VanSchoyck
Randy Veenhuis
Dannette Vosburg

Cliques:

Small town ruled as boring by senior groups; Madison and Whitewater provide entertainment

"Fort Atkinson is the next best thing to a ghost town," complained Rick Bicknell. Likewise, a multitude of cliques found it hard to keep themselves entertained in the small town of Fort Atkinson.

Seniors looking for new territory chose to spend weekends in nearby college towns. Madison and Whitewater hosted students searching for dorm parties and college crowds. Shopping, celebrating on Halloween night on State Street in Madison and viewing movies in Janesville promised fun.

For those who chose to stay in town, attending sporting events and celebrating afterward at friends' houses filled up numerous evenings. Other seniors chose to occupy time on weekend nights by cruising the circuit and mingling with classmates at McDonald's.

Preppie clothes such as boatshoes, baggie pants and polo shirts became the familiar attire among some groups. Others chose the casual look of jeans and jerseys. T-shirts and jackets advertising radio stations and rock concerts also proved popular at FHS.

Various cliques tuned in to radio stations controlled by recordings of groups such as "Asia," "Fleetwood Mac," "Loverboy," "Police," and "The Rolling Stones." Dane County Coliseum and Alpine Valley staged such bands causing senior groups to travel out of town for the live performances.

Leaving for McDonald's during lunch hour, seniors Steve Kern and Gene Fehr exhibit the popularity of their black jackets advertising a familiar radio station.

Enjoying their lunch hour seniors Peggy Sykes, Kim Johnson, Gianni Frittoli and Hans Tillander relax by sitting on one of the benches provided in the lobby.

Schultz, Ron: Band 1, 2; Basketball 1; Cross Country 1, 2; F-Club 3; French Club 2, 3; German Club 3; Intramurals 2, 3; Spanish Club 1, 2; Tennis 2, 3; Wind Ensemble 1, 2.
Schwarzenbart, Heidi Anne: All-School Play 1, 2, 3; Americans Abroad 2, 3; Concert Choir 1, 3, Pres. 3; Conservation Club 2; Forensics 1, 2, 3; French Club 1, 2, 3; RJ Singers 1, 2, 3; Thespians 2; Library Council 2, 3.
Selberg, Robert: Track 1.
Siegel, Lisa: AFS 3; German Club 2; Homecoming Court 3; Redskins 3; Student Council 2, 3.
Sleaver, Stan W.: Football 1; Wrestling 1, 2, 3.
Smillie, Rhonda: All-School Play 2; Art League 3; Forensics 1, 2; German Club 1; Intramurals 1; Redskins 2.
Snodie, Steve
Soebodro, Astriana P.: Concert Choir 3; French Club 3; German Club 3; AFS Student From Indonesia.
Stahl, Jeffrey T.: Baseball 1; Football 1.
Stelse, Dawn R.: All-School Play 3; Art League 1, 2; Forensics 1, 2, 3; French Club 1, 2, 3; Signal Staff 2.
Stork, Sherry L.: FFA 1, 2, 3.
Strand, Tracy A.: Art League 1; Band 1, 2, 3; Wind Ensemble 1, 2, 3.
Sykes, Peggy: F-Club 1, 3; Intramurals 2, 3; Spanish Club 3; Track 1, 2, 3, Capt 3.
Thorgerson, Dean H.: Chess Club 1.
Thorman, Scott
Tillander, Hans: AFS 3; German Club 3; Tennis 3.
Uhe, Wanda S.: Color Guard 1, 2; FFA 3; Flagline 1, 2; German Club 1.
VanSchoyck, Dave: Baseball 1, 2, 3; F-Club 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3; Intramurals 1, 2, 3; Tchogeerrah 3.
Veenhuis, Randy: Baseball 3; Swimming 3.
Vosberg, Danette A.

"Zeus," the band made of Jim Purucker, Doug Wangerin, Pat O'Donnell and Jim Scherdin entertain fans at the first air guitar contest held during homecoming week.

Peeved: Popular "Valley Girl" lingo gags seniors; reconstruction causes unexpected annoyances

"I'm sure." "Gag me with a spoon." "Grody to the max." These common sayings, known as "Valley Girl" talk, loomed as one of the biggest pet peeves for seniors. "Listening to everyone talk that way gets so monotonous after a while," proclaimed Lauri Jung.

"I'm sick of construction workers eating all the vending machine food," complained Don Lauritzen, referring to one of the problems reconstruction brought. Pushing on steps and crowding in the halls due to absence of three stairwells also bothered seniors.

Fellow students' and teachers' attire brought concern to the class of '83. Senior Lori Behselich exclaimed, "I hate it when my sister wears my clothes without asking." Students who tucked sweaters in pants and teachers who wore ties that clash annoyed some.

Classroom habits such as groaning before pop quizzes, constant sniffing, snapping gum, combing hair, tapping feet and hands on desks, and cracking knuckles peeved many seniors. Noises from the construction made it hard for some to concentrate during tests.

Students also expressed irritation over the short dressing time between Phy. Ed class and their next hour. "It upsets me when I have two minutes to get dressed after gym class and I have to rush to get to my next class on third floor, " stated Lisa Siegel. This problem became particularly bothersome during the required swimming units, especially for girls who worried about their hair.

Munching on a Milky Way, Donora Hollenbeck displays the talent of eating chocolate off her candy bar first. Seniors described such eating habits as bothersome.

Seniors Not Pictured:

Derr, Darrell: FFA 1, 2.

Ellis, Dan

Lang, Bill: Football 1, 2, 3.

Long, Kevin: Signal Staff 2, 3, Bus. Mgr. 3.

O'Donnell, Pat: Basketball 1; Intramurals 2, 3; Spanish Club 2, 3.

Poole, Connie

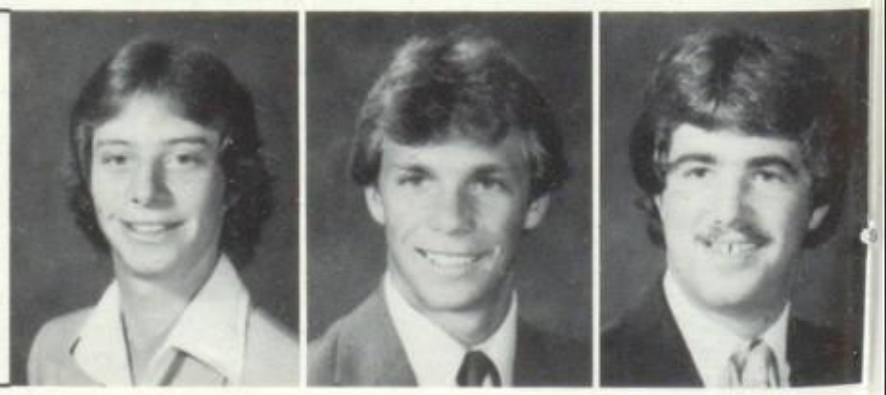
Salomaki, Deb: Band 1.

Schaefer, Brent

Shuman, Tracy: All-School Play Crew 3; Art League 2; Spanish Club 2, 3; Transfer Student; Lake Mills.

Hoping to relieve nervous tension, senior Chris Braman cracks his knuckles, making it difficult for fellow classmate Chris Mode to concentrate on her studies.

Marty Walling
Douglas Wangerin
Bob Weh



Due to FHS reconstruction, determined students crowd the only available stairwell. Seniors found such inconveniences annoying throughout the school year.

Walling, Marty: Football 1.
Wangerin, Douglas: Art League 1, 2, 3; Band 1, 2, 3; Intramurals 2, 3; Swimming 1, 2, 3, Capt. 2, 3; Tennis 1, 2, 3; Wind Ensemble 1, 2, 3.
Weh, Bob: Band 1, 2; F-Club 3; French Club 3; Signal Staff 2, 3; Swimming 1, 2, 3.
Weiss, Frank: Baseball 3; Football 2, 3; Intramurals 3; Wrestling 1, 2, 3.
Welter, Patricia J.
Witt, Julie: Band 1, 2; Intramurals 1, 2, 3; NHS 2, 3; Redskins 2, 3; Softball 1; Volleyball 1, 2, 3; Wind Ensemble 1, 2.
Woelffer, Julie: Art League 3; Pom Pon 3.
Wollangk, James Robert: Cross Country 1, 3; Track 1, 2, 3.
Yaeggi, Brent P.: Badger Boys' State Alt. 2; Band 1, 2, 3; Baseball 1, 2, 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3; F-Club 2, 3, Pres. 3; Football 1, 2, 3, Capt. 3; Prom King 2; Tchogeerrah 2, 3; Wind Ensemble 2, 3.
Zech, Ken
Zentner, Sally: AFS 2, 3; Badger Girls' State 2; Band 1, 2; F-Club 2, 3; German Club 1, 2, 3; Intramurals 1, 2, 3; NHS 1, 2, 3, Pres. 3; Redskins 2, 3; Volleyball 1, 2, 3; Wind Ensemble 2.
Zentner, Sue: AFS 2, 3; All-School Play 3; Basketball 1, 2; Concert Choir 3; F-Club 1, 2, 3; Flagline 1; Intramurals 3; Redskins 3; Softball 1, 2, 3; Student Council Sec. 3; Tennis 1, 2, 3.
Zieglemeier, Jim: Wrestling 1.

Frank Weiss
Patricia J. Welter
Julie Witt
Julie Woelffer
James Robert Wollangk

Brent P. Yaeggi
Ken Zech
Sally Zentner
Sue Zentner
Jim Zieglemier

Badger Boy and Badger Girl Delegates and Alternates, Front Row: Sandy Newell and Sally Zentner. **Back Row:** Mike Manley, Chris Braman, Brent Yaeggi. **Not Pictured:** Kirsten Larson, Katie Breitsprecher, Brian Abendroth, Jim Schlender, Randy Johnson.

Front Row: DAR good citizen award **winner Barb Adams, Optimist Club award recipient Laura Letcher. Back Row:** Century III leadership winner Roger Rumppe, Optimist Club award recipient Chris Braman, and Student of the Year Mike Manley.

Honors: NMSQT cites five; Manley awarded SOY

Pulling through another year, seniors found themselves blocking out the hum of construction machinery and a dusty classroom atmosphere to achieve goals of either scholarships or other honors.

Letters of commendation rewarded three seniors. Katie Breitsprecher, Heidi Henning, and Mike Manley received these NMSQT letters. Lavinia Payson and Don Schantz qualified as semi-finalists, awaiting finalist announcements.

Along with the January issue of the *Signal* came the announcement of Student of the Year. Most people agreed with the selection of Mike Manley. "I expected Mike to get it, and I think everybody else did too. He deserved it," commented classmate Debbie Porter.

Over the summer, six seniors, chosen by teachers, traveled to attend Badger Boys' and Badger Girls' State. When asked about it, Sally Zentner stated, "It was great meeting all the new people."

Senior class officers took the responsibility of representing the class of 1983. Classmates elected Jo Bauer as President, Sandy Newell Vice-President, and Peggy Merrick Secretary-Treasurer.

Two seniors received awards for their school and community involvement. Roger Rumppe won the Century III leadership honor and Barb Adams, chosen by her class, took the DAR Good Citizen Award.

NMSQT Awards, Front Row: Semi-finalists Don Schantz, and Lavinia Payson.

Letter of Commendation winners: Katie Breitsprecher. **Back Row:** Mike Manley and Heidi Henning.

Shuman, Tracy: All School Play Crew 3; Art League 2; Spanish Club 2, 3; Transfer Student Lake Mills.

Correction: Due to a mutual error between the photographer and the **Tchogeerrah** staff, Tracy Shuman's senior picture was left out of the senior section. We apologize for any inconvenience caused by this error.

Senior Class Officers, elected by their **classmates include:** Sec.-Treas., Peggy Merrick, Pres., Jo Bauer, V. Pres., Sandy Newell. The officers organized homecoming and chose Graduation Announcements.

Mr. Orrin Bull
Mr. John Erickson
Dr. Thomas Kenny
Mr. William Kohls
Mr. Glenn Lepley

Mr. Randall Rasmussen
Mrs. Audrey Smith
Mr. Ardell Wiederhoeft
Dr. Ronald Wildermuth
Mr. Ed Winiarski
Miss Sandra Wittwer

Mr. Orrin Bull: Guidance Counselor, L-Z.

Mr. John Erickson: District A.V. Director.

Dr. Thomas Kenny: District Administrator.

Mr. William Kohls: Guidance Counselor, A-K.

Mr. Glenn Lepley: Senior High School Principal.

Mr. Randall Rasmussen: Speech Clinician.

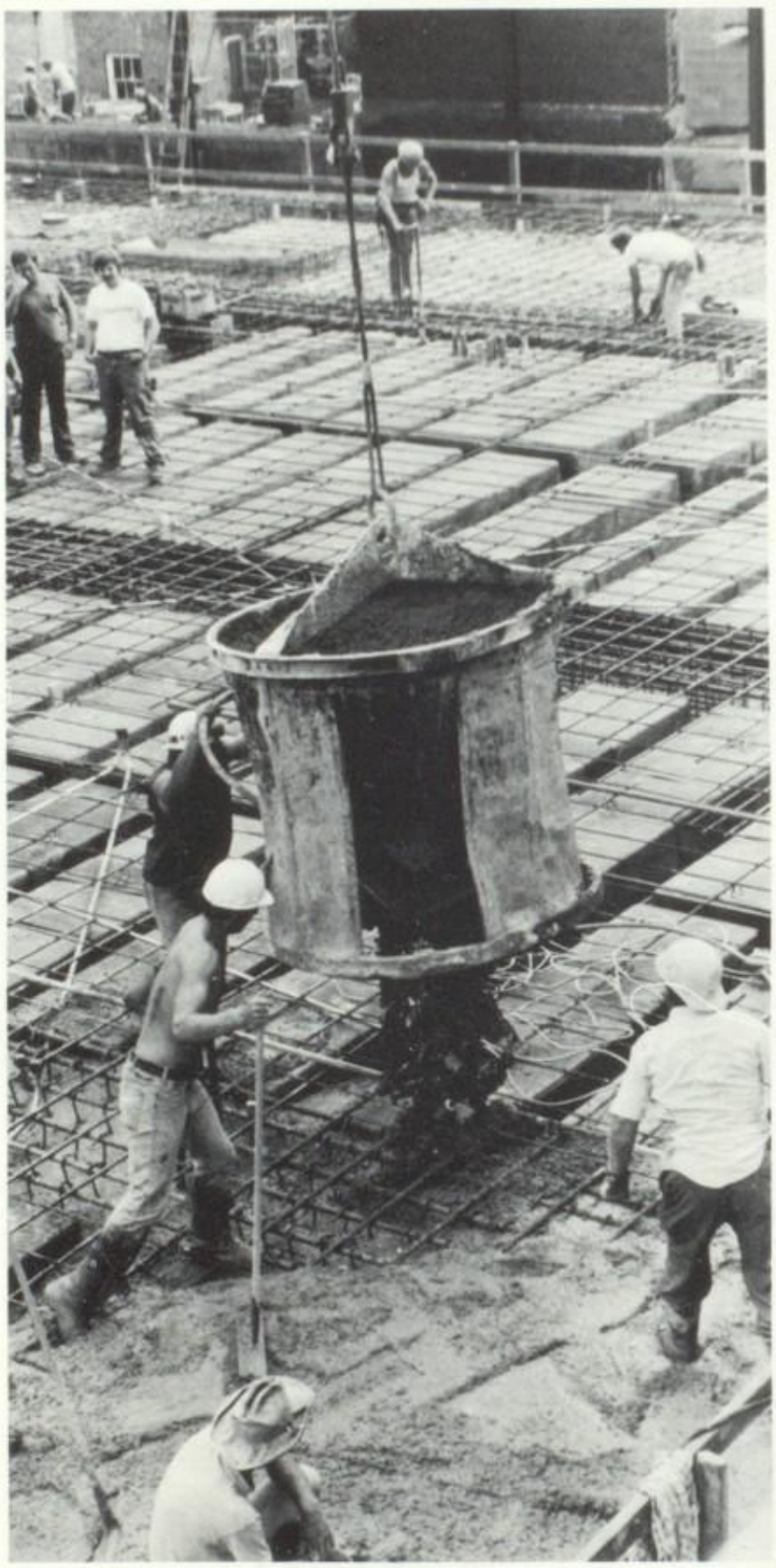
Mrs. Audrey Smith: District Reading Specialist.

Mr. Ardell Wiederhoeft: District Business Manager.

Dr. Ronald Wildermuth: Director of Instruction.

Mr. Ed Winiarski: Senior High School Assistant Principal.

Miss Sandra Wittwer: Social Worker.



Attempting to complete all outdoor projects before the cold weather struck, construction workmen release cement upon the first floor of the new school addition.

Sorting through articles in the lost and found box, Mrs. Lorraine Tekeley and Mr Ed Winiarski search for eye glasses needed for donations to the Lions Club.

Progress: Renovation forces room adjustments

"The cooperation of the workmen, students and employees has been super," cited Mr. Ed Winiarski referring to the adjustments everybody made during construction. "The school is progressing beautifully but, there are checks and balances as it nears completion."

Restricted availability and shortage of classrooms forced various rooms to be fully scheduled 90-100% of the day. "It's been quite an educationable experience," remarked Mr. Glenn Lepley about the problems and concerns faced.

Passing from the high school to shop classes revealed hazardous safety conditions for the students due to machinery moving construction materials. "We've been very lucky because we haven't had any accidents," noted Lepley.

Along with most FHS students, Lepley eagerly awaited the completion of the new school. "I'm anticipating a beautifully organized facility that can be cleaned and used properly," stated Lepley. "I think everyone is looking forward to a building free of hassles."

Problems faced during the year ranged from malfunctioning clocks and bell systems, noise disruption, dirt, cold classrooms and a combined study hall/lunch room to the congested staircase.

To attain better student/teacher relations, a faculty committee recommended a scheduled daily homeroom. Homeroom Program Chairman, Mr. William Kohls claimed, "After three years, students and teachers should have a positive personal contact."

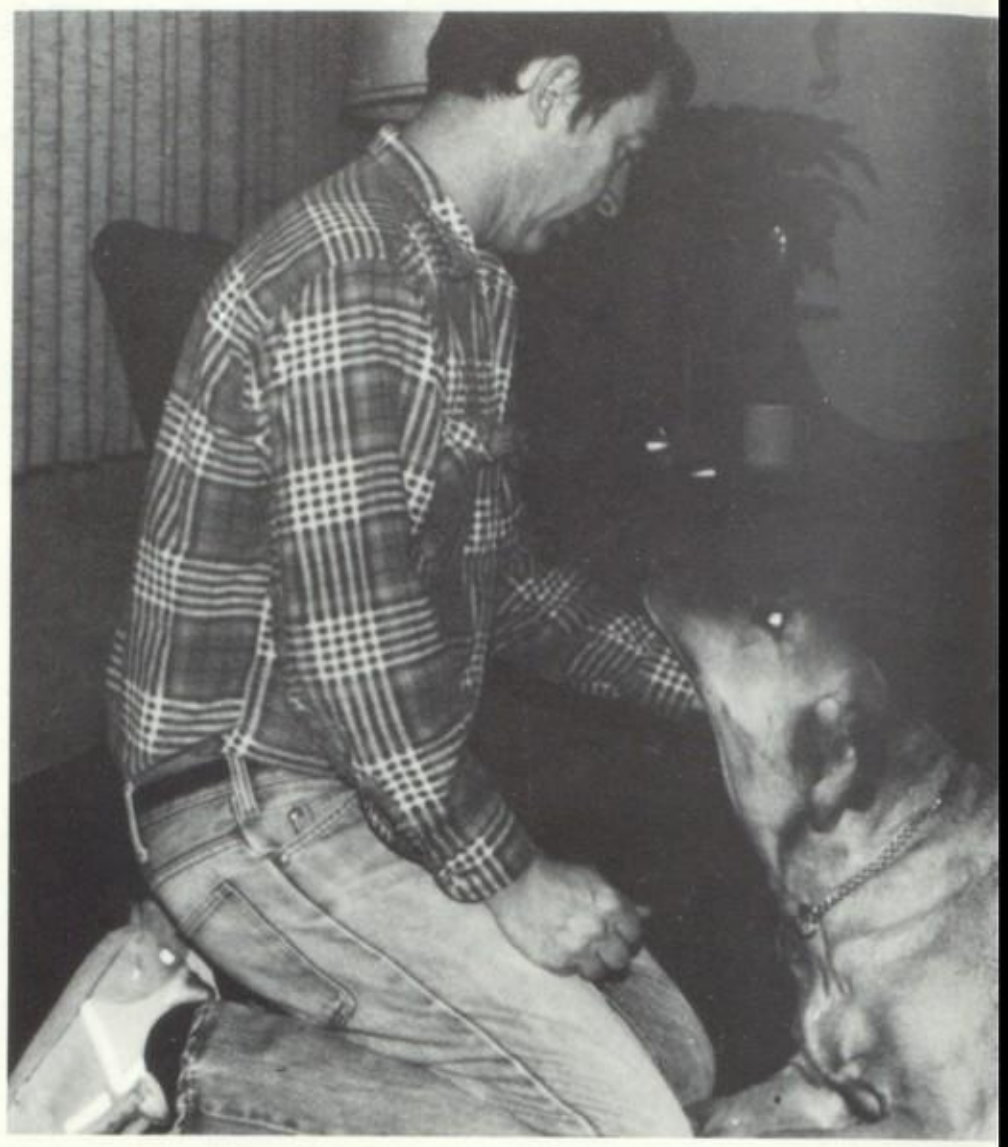
Smaller quarters in the guidance department forced many procedure alterations. Counselors worked in smaller offices, and space became limited for supplies and files. Mr. Orrin Bull commented, "I feel very fortunate to have gotten this space available."

Ater the destruction of the old 1911 structure, high school faculty members and officials anticipate the opening of the cornerstone over the summer of 1982.

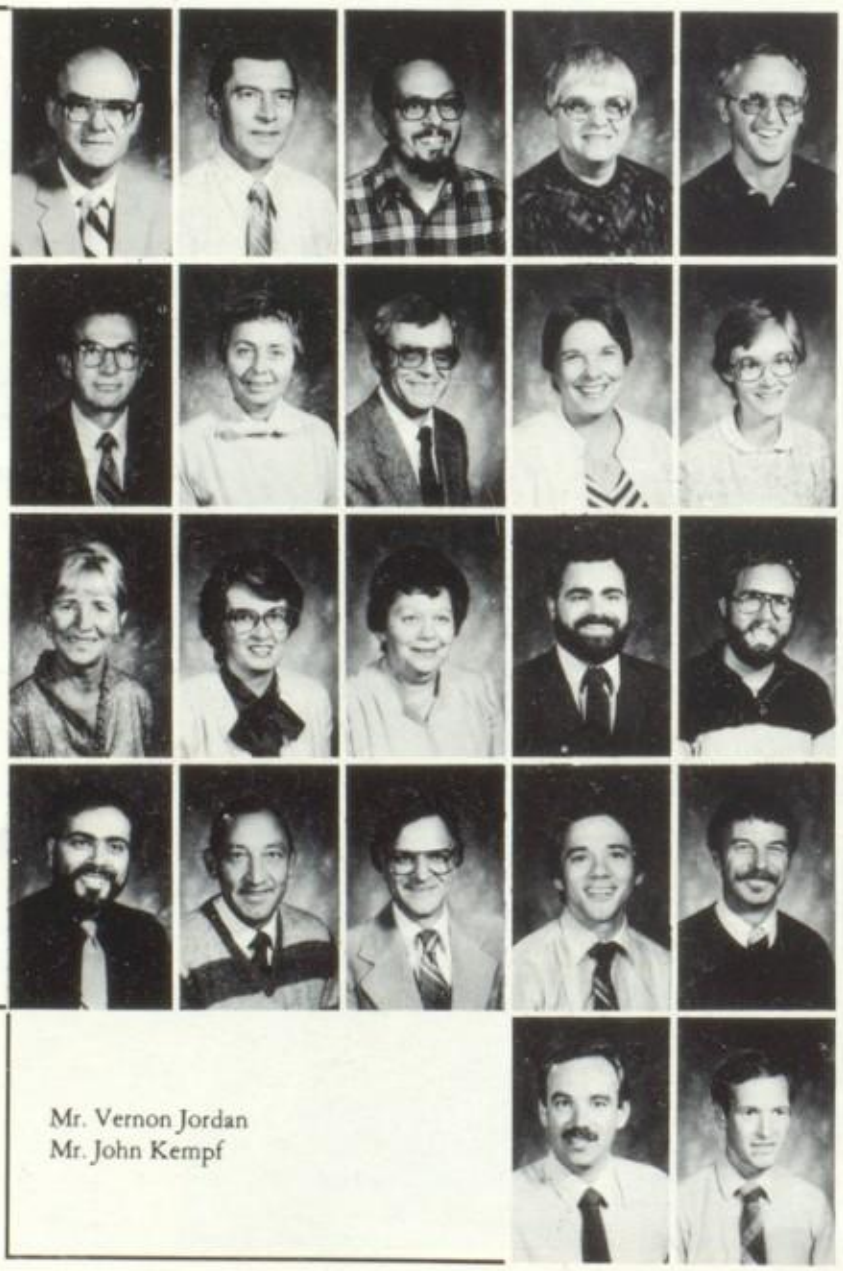
While preparing for the addition of windows, Mr. John Erickson stacks piles of glass blocks in the AV room. All rooms received energy efficient windows.

School Board Members, Front Row: Bus. Mgr. Mr. Ardell Wiederhoeft, Pres. Dr. Peter Nysather, Dist. Adm. Dr. Thomas Kenny. **Back Row:** Clerk Mr. Harry Bos, Student Rep. Sue Rowley, Treas. Mr. Roger Sherman, Mr. Gary Moore. **Not Pictured:** V. Pres. Mrs. Helen Rose, Student Rep. Theresa Taylor.

House pets played an important role among many teachers and their families. Mr. Paul Babcock displays his appreciation to the family yellow labrador, Muffet.



Babcock, Grayson: Instrumental Music, Pep Band Adviser.
Babcock, Paul: English/Reading, English 10, Homecoming Chairperson.
Bahr, Wayne: Auto Mechanics, Voc. Auto Mechanics.
Birk, Margaret: Librarian, Library Council.
Borland, Glen: Physical Education, F-Club Adviser, 9th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach, Head Football Coach.
Camplin, David: English 11A, Business English, American Literature Prose, Composition, Chess Club Adviser.
Carlson, Conny: American Literature Drama, Composition, American Literature Prose, English Literature, Drama Director, Senior Adviser.
Carlson, Elwood: Sociology, Psychology, U.S. History, Drama Director, Senior Adviser.
Dauffenbach, Debbie: Special Ecucation LD, Homecoming Dance Co-Chairperson.
Dixon, Oma: English 11A, Business English, American Literature Prose, Composition.
Durette, Catherine: French I, II, III, IV, American Field Service Adviser, French Club Adviser.
Ehrke, Jean: Clothing, Foods I, Home Furnishing, Future Homemakers of America Adviser.
Flood, Harriet: Secretarial Office Practice, Shorthand I, II, Cooperative Office Practice.
Fuller, Tom: Special Education LD, Sophomore Adviser.
Gasner, Don: Marching Band Director.
Gomez, Benjamin: Special Education ED, Chess Club Adviser.
Gruber, Don: Physical Education, Athletic Director, U.S. History, Boys' Basketball Head Coach.
Hase, Robert: Art Survey, Advanced Art 1, 2, 3, Art League Adviser.
Heckencamp, Jim: Graphics, 1, 2, Drafting, Drawing, Wood Survey.
Jason, Al: Special Education MR.
Jordan, Vernon: Metal Survey, Advanced Metals, Head Girls' Tennis Coach.
Kempf, John: Physiology, Advanced Biology, General Biology, Modern Biology, Junior Class Adviser, Prom Adviser.



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Mr. Wayne Bahr
Mrs. Margaret Birk
Mr. Glen Borland

Mr. David Camplin
Mrs. Conny Carlson
Mr. Elwood Carlson
Mrs. Debbie Dauffenbach
Mrs. Oma Dixon

Mrs. Catherine Durette
Mrs. Jean Ehrke
Mrs. Harriet Flood
Mr. Tom Fuller
Mr. Don Gasner

Mr. Benjamin Gomez
Mr. Don Gruber
Mr. Robert Hase
Mr. Jim Heckencamp
Mr. Al Jason

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Mr. John Kempf

Teachers' pets

Faculty welcomes animals, families enhanced with pets

After a long school day of teaching, a number of teachers found themselves welcomed home by pets. Wagging tails, purring cats, chirping parakeets or a buzzing hamster wheel provided a nice relaxing atmosphere.

In a poll among teachers, responses showed a side to teachers that students may not see. When asked if a pet seemed unique, Mr. Carty Monahan revealed, "Cloudy is, without a doubt, the greatest dog in the universe. How unique can a pet get?"

Mr. Grayson Babcock felt that his dog Chula provided him with company as a lap dog. Mr. Bob Noll took this dog running with him. "Our dog has become a jogger. Every night she comes alive when I go jogging.

Teachers' response to the reason for having pets leaned toward children. Mrs. Margaret Birk explained, "Pets have taught our children patience and love." Similar quotes filled the questionnaire.

Some pets possessed unusual habits or acted in unique ways. Pepper, a cat, preferred to be covered with a blanket each night. Major, a dog, helped his master bring cows in the barn.

Along with the basic information in the poll, humerous comments found their way in too. One teacher felt that having a dog with a shrill bark promised a sure clearing of the sinuses.

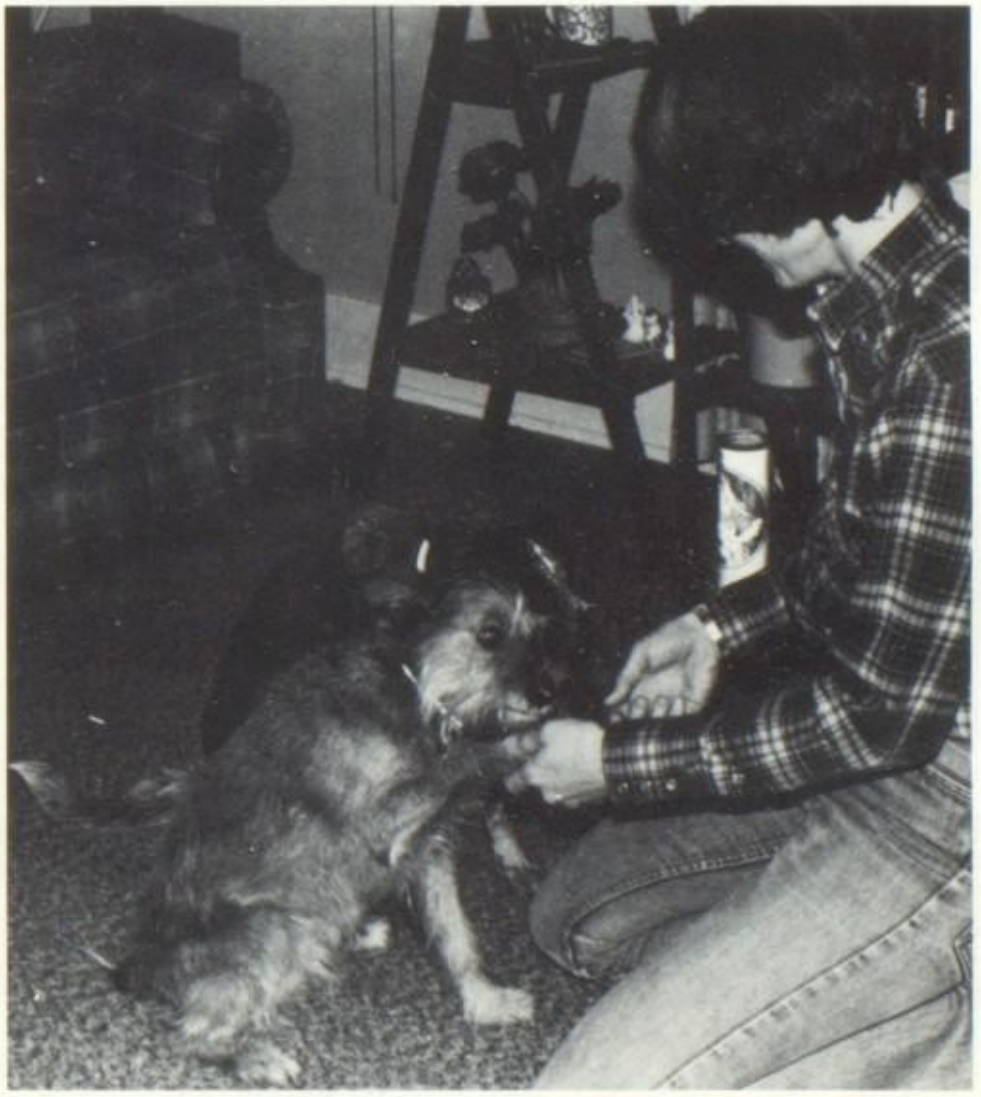
Teachers owning pets outnumbered those choosing not to. Most felt that pets enhanced their family. Some pet owners urged non-owners to get some kind of pet.

Miss Bev Killian felt strongly about caring for pets. "If a person has a pet, they are responsible for giving it proper care, vaccines, etc. Pets deserve the same helath and care as a person."

Pets also brought out humorous stories. Mr. Tom Fuller commented that his pet hamster never quite learned how to use his running wheel. Entertaining pets seemed to be appreciated.

Running, a pastime of Mr. Bob Noll's, also became a hobby of his dog Abby. When he went running, the dog sprang to life, anxious to accompany him.

Eagerly awaiting a special treat of left-over roast beef, Mrs. Margaret Birk's dogs, Champ and Bozo, prepare to indulge in their regular after-school snack.



Relaxing at home after school, Miss Bev Killian shakes hands with her dog Snuffy as her other pet, Nanny, nudges in, waiting for her share of Killian's attention.

Alumni: Staff reflects on past as 1911 structure falls

As the 1911 section crumbled, four teachers recalled when they spent high school days in that same structure. Graduates Mr. Don Wahl (1954), Mrs. Jean Ehrke (1956), Mrs. Linda Draeger (1967), and Mr. Tom Fuller (1968), all returned to their alma mater.

School curriculum broadened since these alumni attended FHS. Student course selection did not include specialized classes such as Auto Mechanics, Graphic Arts, and Ancient-Medieval History.

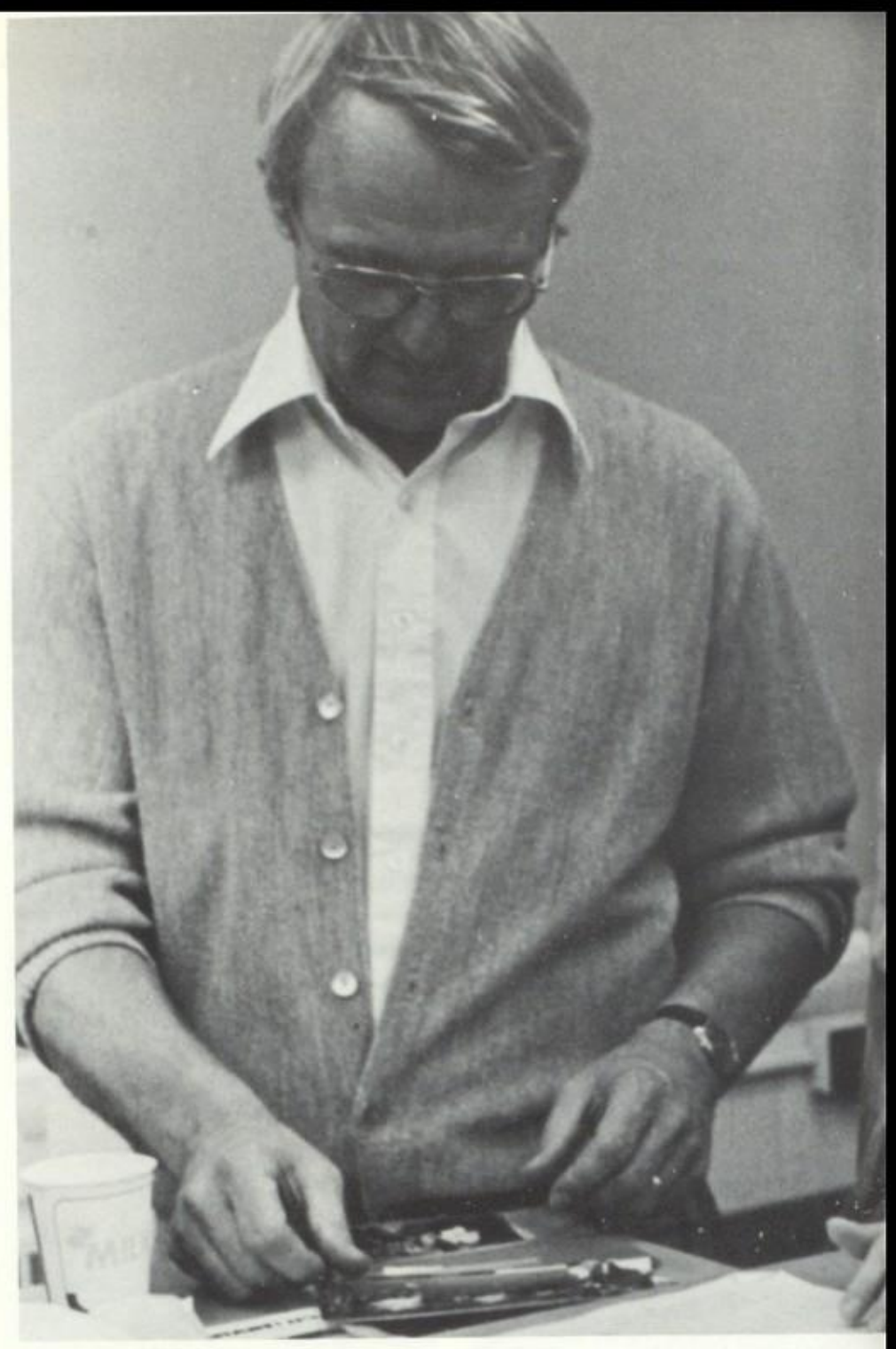
Without athletic competition between schools for girls until the early seventies, the Girls Athletic Association provided female students with an intra-school athletic experience. The first inter-school sports for girls included volleyball and swimming.

While the four returning graduates experienced five classes each day, current students selected schedules with seven period days. The fifty-two minute class period took the place of the seventy minute period, in which part of the period was for study time.

For the most part, classrooms for various departments remained in the same area of the high school. Mrs. Draeger recalled, "I once took typing in the room I now teach in. We, however, had manual typewriters in Typing I."

Mr. Fuller, a recipient of the Fort Atkinson Education Association Scholarship related, "When I went to school, the students were rebellious. They didn't get along with adults as well then."

When asked about the high school referendum, all four alumni stressed a need for the construction. Mr. Fuller exclaimed, "We used to call the 1911 structure 'The old building' even in 1964!"



Shortly after the Independence Bowl in which Mr. Glen Borland's son Kyle played, Mrs. Jean Ehrke views pictures taken by Mr. Borland at the football game.

Killian, Beverly: Physical Education, Modified P.E., Redskin Adviser, Girls' Volleyball Coach.
Kohls, Jan: Yearbook Journalism, English 10H, English 10, **Tchogeerah** Adviser.
LaHann, Robert: Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, General Chemistry, Qualitative Analysis, Practical Science.
Lansing, Norville: Geometry, Algebra II, Consumer Math, Assistant Homecoming Chairperson.
Menzer, Dan: U.S. History, Consumer Economics.
Mercer, Lyle: Exploratory Agriculture, Agriculture II, III, IV, Horticulture I, FFA Adviser.
Mitchell, Patricia: Typing I, II, Personal Typing.
Monahan, Carty: Driver Education, Golf Coach.
Moon, Joanne: Special Education, Homecoming Dance Adviser.
Moore, Robert E.: German I, II, Composition, Advanced Composition, German Club Adviser.
Noll, Bob: Geometry, Algebra I, II, Computer Programming, Cross Country Coach, Boys' Track Coach.
Piper, Cheryl: Spanish I, II, III, IV, V.
Piper, Don: Government, Comparative Government, Assistant Student Council Adviser.
Raasoch, Paul: Physics, Practical Science, Prom Adviser.
Roub, Gail: Newspaper Journalism, Modern World History, Ancient Medieval History, U.S. History, AFS Adviser, **Signal** Adviser.
Ryan Thomas: Concert Choir, R.J. Singers, General MOsic, Prom Adviser.
Schubert, Phillips K.: Speech, Basic Writing and Spelling, Speech and Reading, Forensic Director.
Simon, William: Accounting I, II, Personal Typing, Prom Adviser, Assistant Football Coach.
Staudacher, Valerie: Personal and Family Living, Foods I, II, Single Living, Child Deyelopment, Pom Pon Adviser, Homecoming Dance Adviser.
Strey, James: American Issues, U.S. History, National Honor Society Adviser.
Vincent, Robert: Advanced Woods, Woods Survey, Vocational Woods.
Wahl, Donald: Analysis, Geometry, Analytical Geometry, Consumer Math, Assistant Boys' Baseball Coach, Student Council Adviser.
Waldman, Alan: Electric Survey, Basic Electronics, Plastics, Assistant Track Coach, Homecoming Dance Adviser.
Zentner, Carlton: General Biology, Natural Resources, Boys' Volleyball Coach.

Trying to adjust to the relocation of his special education classroom, Mr. Tom Fuller stacks a set of encyclopedias donated to him by the school library.

While attending the FHA sponsored teachers' Christmas tea, Mr. William Kohls and Mrs. Linda Draeger discuss their plans for the upcoming holiday season.

Miss Beverly Killian
Mrs. Jan Kohls
Mr. Robert LaHann
Mr. Norville Lansing
Mr. Dan Menzer
Mr. Lyle Mercer

Mrs. Patricia Mitchell
Mr. Carty Monahan
Mrs. Joanne Moon
Mr. Robert B. Moore
Mr. Bob Noll
Mrs. Cheryl Piper

Mr. Don Piper
Mr. Paul Raasoch
Mr. Gail Roub
Mr. Thomas Ryan
Mr. Phillips K. Schubert
Mr. William Simon

Mrs. Valerie Staudacher
Mr. James Strey
Mr. Robert Vincent
Mr. Donald Wahl
Mr. Alan Waldman
Mr. Carlton Zentner

As part of the upkeep in the school's 1952 section, janitors Howie Kordatsky and Bill Ehret repair a gym door before a Friday-night basketball game.

Mrs. Marilyn Bittner
Mrs. Mary Lou Donkle
Mr. Bill Ehret
Miss Lori Jaeckel
Mr. Howard Kordatzky

Mrs. Bette Lueck
Mrs. Mary Marshall
Mr. Don Nushart
Mrs. Lorraine Tekeley
Mrs. Marlene Wallace

Bittner, Marilyn: Library Secretary
Donkle, Mary Lou: A.V. Secretary
Ehret, Bill: Custodian
Jaeckel, Lori: Office Secretary
Kordatsky, Howard: Custodian
Lueck, Bette: Attendance Coordinator
Marshall, Mary: Guidance Secretary
Nushart, Don: Custodian
Tekeley, Lorraine: Secretary to the Principal
Wallace, Marlene: T.M.R. Aide

Vital: School employees contend with building construction

Keeping FHS running smoothly depended on staff and school employees. Custodians, coordinators, and secretaries encountered specific inconveniences in their jobs due to the reconstruction.

Secretaries Mrs. Marilyn Bittner and Mrs. Mary Marshall agreed that it seemed hard to keep organized because of cramped conditions. Mrs. Bittner admitted, "It will be nice to have a new library. I'll have more room to work."

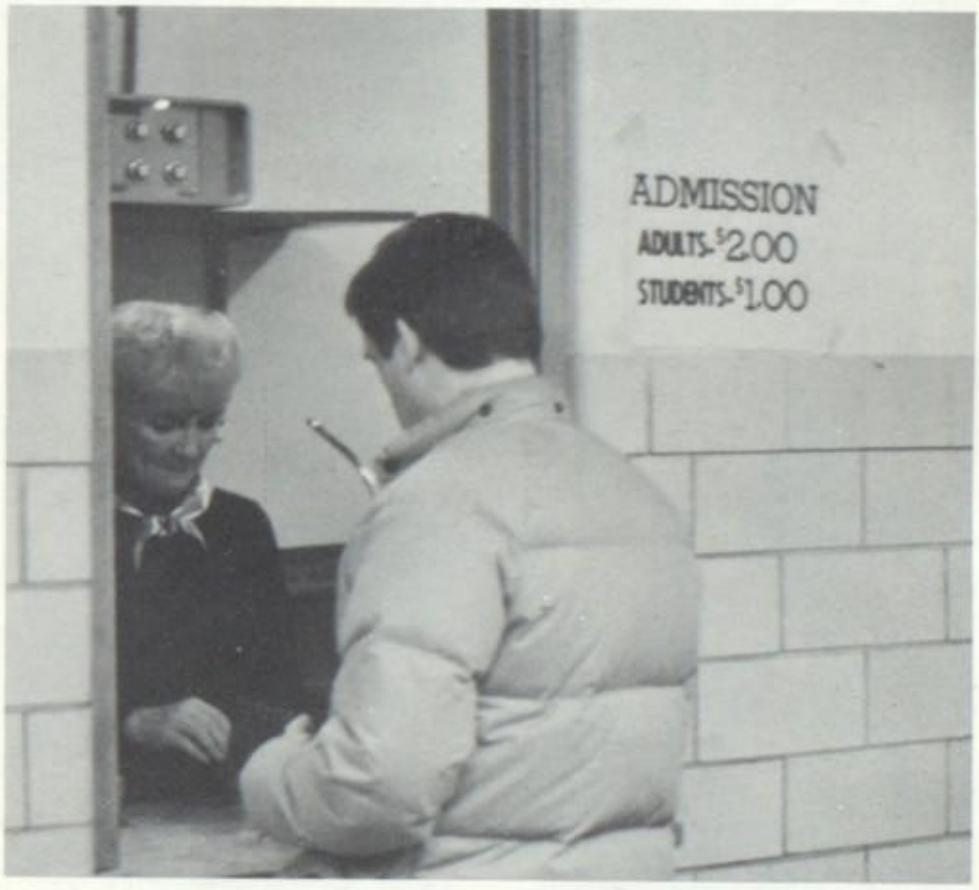
Relocation of various offices posed concerns for those people involved. Some departments moved to areas almost half the size they previously used. Mrs. Marshall regretted. "The biggest problem is for the counselors. The privacy they need just isn't there."

Not only did the library serve as a study facility, but it also doubled as a classroom for the rooms receiving new windows. Mrs. Bittner explained, "With teachers lecturing, I had to move my whole work area to the reference room so I didn't disturb them."

Miss Lori Jaeckel, a 1982 Fort Atkinson High School graduate, replaced Miss Lori Grandt as the main office secretary. She too made adjustments. Miss Jaeckel confessed, "My biggest worry concerning my new job was the way students would react toward me."

Throughout the school year, custodians aided construction workers in moving equipment, carrying supplies, and helping with repairs. Boarding up of walls and workmen tracking in dirt caused janitors to spend much of their time maintaining a clean school.

On the first day of Teacher Orientation Mr. Tom Fuller receives a T.B. skin test from school nurse Mrs. Bev Findlay. The school required this test for teachers.



During their lunch, secretaries Mrs. Marilyn Bittner and Miss Lori Jaeckel discuss the condition of their future facilities after the construction project.

At a home basketball game, Secretary Mrs. Lorraine Tekeley sells tickets to fans in the lobby. Many school employees involved themselves with home sporting events.

Sponsors:

Staffers ask for donations of 313 area professionals and businesses

Lessons learned by the staffers proved practical ones. They learned to approach professionals and businesses with confidence. Poise, politeness and responsibility became a necessity for staffers asking for contributions.

Of the 22 *Tchogeerrah* staffers, 14 volunteered to approach the businesses of Fort Atkinson. Steve Koenig felt that he learned "some very unique and valuable experiences" by contacting patrons.

Businesses, professionals and clubs received letters asking for donations to help pay for publishing the yearbook. Of these patrons, 105 chose to respond by contributing between $5.00-$40.00.

Staffers turned in folders after a month of traveling from business to business. Michelle Kern felt that, "the most encouraging thing about soliciting was working hard to raise money and have a person give more than last year."

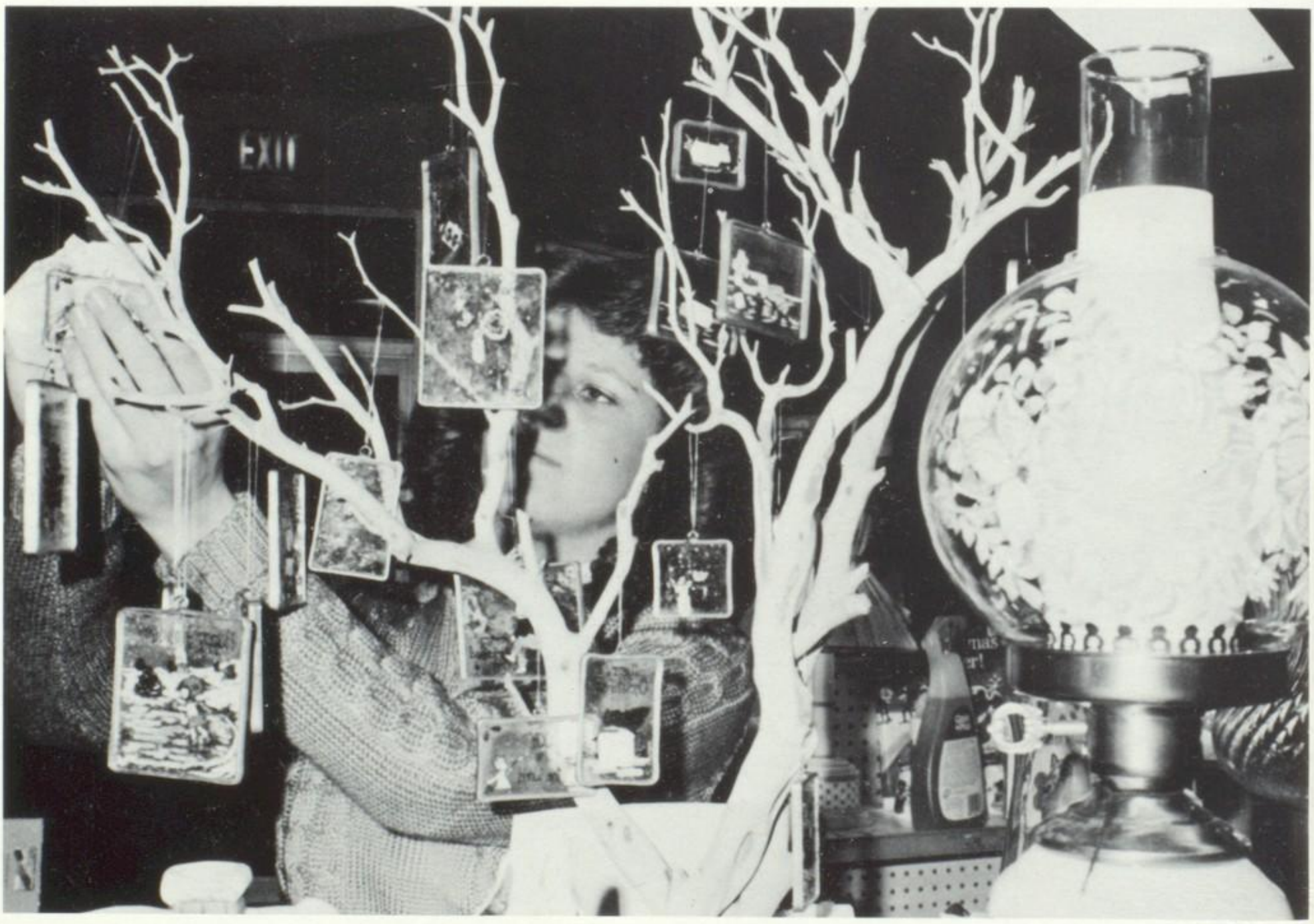
Staffers also faced frustrations when businesses which contributed in past years declined to support the publication because of the economy. Despite the loss of these patrons, the staffers raised a final total of $2193.00.

Soliciting of area merchants covered 15% of the cost of publishing the book. The additional money came from various fund raisers. A car wash at Copps on October 13 raised $166. Staffers sold tickets to insure success.

Bake sales, car washes, the school board subsidy and soliciting helped pave the way to publishing the *Tchogeerrah*. The staff offers many thanks for all the support given to the yearbook.

by LJL.

Trying to stay ahead of the Christmas rush at Tuttle's Hallmark proves challenging for junior Margaret Martin who hands a holiday shopper her change and cards.



Hoping to make the time pass more quickly during her 6-9 o'clock shift, Debbie Porter makes herself busy by dusting the stained glass hangings at The Pharmacy.

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*Abssco
Am. Family Ins. — Steve Kittleson
*American Legion Auxilliary

*Badger Paint Store
*Bank of Fort Atkinson
Bell and Bell
Bernice's
Bill Starke Ford-Mercury
Blodgett Milling
*Bos Implements
Bergey's
Business and Tax Systems of FA

Carl's Liquor Store
Citizen's State Bank
*Chamber of Commerce
Church's Hardware

Daughters of Am. Revolution
*Day Insurance Agency
*Donkle's Insurance
Double 3 Transport Co., Inc.
*Dunlap Memorial Home

*The Fireside
First Federal Savings and Loan
Fort Atkinson Education Assn., Inc.
Fort Atkinson Junior Women's Club
Fort Atkinson Vision Clinic
Fort Medical Center
Fort Quick Mart
*Fort Savings and Loan
Fort Tax Service, Inc.
Fort Transportation and Service
Fort Upholstery
*Ft. Farm Eqpt., Inc.
*Fort Theatre

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Dr. Joseph A. Guros DDS

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Harriette's
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Wayne Hayes Real Estate
*Highsmith Co., Inc.
W. D. Hoard and Sons
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Jefferson Co. Farmco Coop.
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Dr. Edgardo Jiongco
Johnson Hill Press
Jonas Office Products
Jones Dairy Farm

Kent's Ice Cream
*K-Mart
*Koch Label Co.
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Lik Nu Auto Body
*Lorman Iron and Metal Co., Inc.
*David P. Luisier DDS

McIntyre Florals
Douglas J. McNamee, Architect
*Medical Assoc. of FA, SC
Mike's Bakery
*Dr. Montagano DDS
*Moore's Food Products

*Nasco
*The Needle Corner
Newlin's Gifts
*Norland Corporation

*Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Assoc.

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Patefield Auto Repair
Penney's
The Pharmacy
Pizza Villa

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*Robert N. Selberg, CPA
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Simonson Oil Co.
*Skate Capitol
Sutherland Lumber

*Thomas Industries
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Tuttle's Pharmacy

Uncle Josh Bait Co.

Valley Sanitation
The Velvet Touch Beauty Salon
Vogue Beauty Salon

Wand Corp.
Wayne Hayes Real Estate
Welcome Inn
*WFAW
Wilson's
Wis. Elec. Power
Wis. Natural Gas
*The Women's Club
Wood Design Industries
Wood Heat Center

*Yerges Van Liners

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Deciding what stock needs replenishing in the frozen foods section at the Sentry Foods Store, Jim Schlender takes a careful Wednesday night inventory.

Daring: Tillander samples US, Senate picks Anderson

Try it — you might like it . . . Hans Tillander, a foreign student from Sweden, came to Wisconsin for a year of American life. Julie Anderson also met new challenges as she became one of 101 Congressional pages in 1983.

As brother of a former AFS student, Tillander accepted an invitation in 1979 from the Rev. Alan Lindberg family. During his stay, he toured various states of the US. His journeys included New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Minnesota.

About his future, Tillander declared, "I dream of being a windsurfer or being involved with the sea." Upon graduating from his Swedish high school, his duties include a year in the military.

Living a new life, Tillander cited positive feelings toward Fort: "People are more open to each other." About FHS, he continued, "I like the big interest in sports. Whether a player or a spectator, everyone is involved."

One of Tillander's new experiences included his love for root beer. "If I found a way of importing root beer and getting a company to invest in it, I'd make millions," proclaimed Tillander.

Anderson's interest as a page arose in Washington on her freshman trip. On her return, she wrote to Senator William Proxmire for an application and became one of six chosen from Wisconsin.

During her two month stay, Anderson's position involved running errands for Senators, delivering memos and arranging calendars. Her page uniform consisted of blue pantsuits and black shoes.

Anderson attended school at the Capitol Page High School located directly across the street from the Capitol. She received a weekly paycheck of $174.80 which she spent on room and board.

Preparing for her page position in Washington, D.C. Julie Anderson packs clothing in a suitcase. Filling out an application and interviewing qualified Anderson.

Comparing their new experiences in their Wisconsin homelands, Marco Soggai, from Italy, and Hans Tillander, from Sweden, discuss problems at the AFS weekend.

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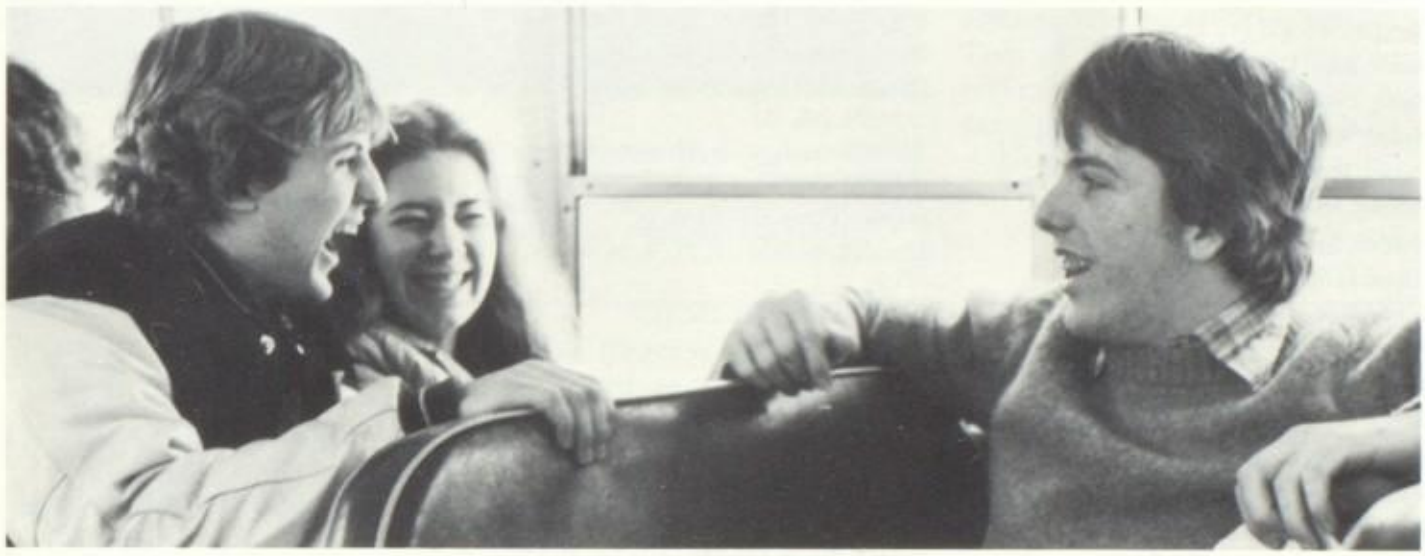

Waiting for the start of the bus ride home, students, Rob Welter, Mary Ann Ames and Jim Glass enjoy a humorous conversation about what they did on the weekend.

Waiting for the students' departure from school, buses lined the front of the building, forming a blockade for non-bus riders and slowing the passage of traffic.

Buses:

Bus drivers prepare for the unexpected; rowdy behavior causes strained conditions

Shrill screams, constant laughter and flying paper wads loomed as basic essentials for an average, everyday, bus atmosphere. Most bus drivers desired silence from their riders, but settled for the normal, rowdy background.

Bus driver tension seemed to reach its peak as the noise level rose. Reid Ulrich, driver of bus number 15, declared, "Noise, especially from little kids, is terrible and makes driving rough."

High school construction caused many changes, not only for administrators, teachers, and students, but also for bus drivers. Relocation to the front of the school became the bus zone fate.

Formerly located in the back parking lot, the loading area moved to South High Street in the front of the high school. This location resulted in slower, more congested conditions for cars and buses before and after school.

Contrary to these feelings of discomfort, other students found the new bus zone to be a convenience. Some students gained easier access to their buses, while those arriving in automobiles made use of the new Emery parking lot.

Drivers required their riders to follow a list of regulations hanging above the front window. Riders discovered many similar restrictions required of them in both the classroom and the bus.

Some similar rules used on buses and in class included no profane language, no smoking and remaining seated. Bus riders, unlike other students, received a double dose of daily requirements.

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Fireside's musical producation of "The Sound of Music" attracted crowds from all over. Forty students from the English Lit. and American Lit. Drama classes attended one of the 128 shows.

After a performance, Katie Breitsprecher and other members of "The Sound of Music" cast answer the audience's questions about the musical and its production.

Applause:

Stage lures students to professional acting

Would you like to be a professional actor at the age of 17? Fireside's production of "The Sound of Music" gave this opportunity to two FHS seniors who plan futures in the performing arts.

Don Lauritzen and Katie Breitsprecher learned that they earned parts in the Fireside production when the musical's director, Ed Flesch, informed them of his decision by phone. "I kept on calling him to see if I had gotten a part," confessed Breitsprecher.

Lauritzen made his professional acting debut in the musical "Camelot," put on by the Fireside. He played the part of Tom of Warwick, a 14-year old boy that King Arthur appoints to carry the word of the "One brief shining moment that was known as Camelot."

In his most recent role in the "The Sound of Music," Lauritzen portrayed Friedrich Von Trapp, the oldest son. This play ran for four months, as Lauritzen and Breitsprecher appeared in 128 shows.

Breitsprecher depicted Louisa Von Trapp, the third oldest child and the family troublemaker. "I feel that the greatest advantage of being in the musical was the theatrical experience I gained," she exclaimed.

Four weeks of three-hour rehearsals went into the musical before its opening. Lauritzen's grades did suffer but he noted, "The advantage of professional acting is a great learning experience."

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At the annual Tchogeerrah Christmas party, Business Manager Laura Letcher models her gag gift for the other staffers given to her by an anonymous prankster.

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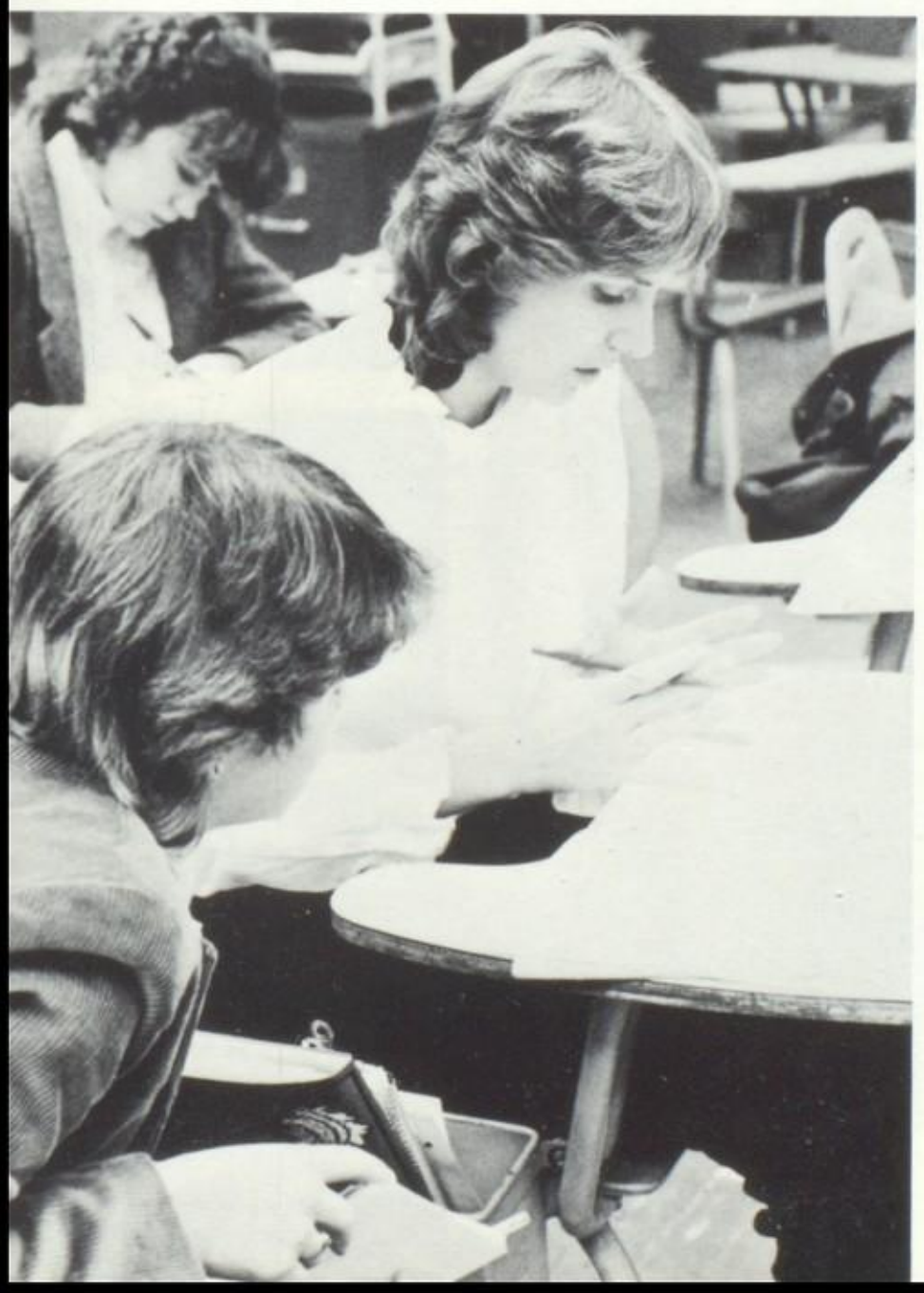
Senior Sue Fairfield reads over staff copy, one of her many duties as associate editor, revising and making the necessary corrections during yearbook class.

During lunch, Vikki Hathaway, Kim Nevin, and Lynne Romstad wait while Tchogeerrah staffer Michelle Kern thumbs through approximately 300 underclass pictures.



During a yearbook workday over the Christmas vacation, Photo Coordinator Sandy Newell and Editor Peggy Merrick discuss their ideas on a layout spread design.

Thanks: Editor acknowledges help with '83 annual

Hard work, late nights and planning went into the 1983 *Tchogeerrah*. I would like to thank everybody involved, especially the excellent staff who put so much effort and talent into their work.

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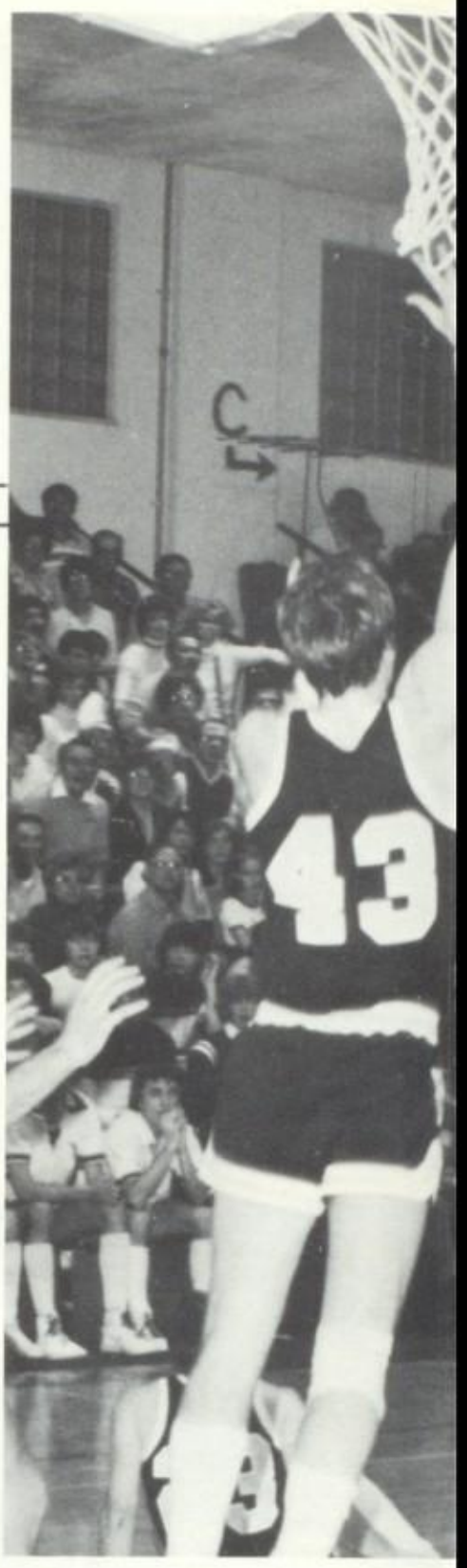

Leaping at the basket surrounded by Stoughton's defense, Scott Ciske shoots for another two points to help Fort beat the Vikings for the first time in years.

As school life went on around them, the construction workers carried on each daily job, bringing the building almost to completion by the last day of school.

In the holiday spirit, junior *Tchogeerrah* staffer Tammy Timm, dressed up as a Christmas tree, enters Sue Fairfield's house for the annual yearbook party.

Part of the package

A full summer of work still awaited the new building, but by the last day of classes, the school seemed almost complete. The auto mechanic students moved into the remodeled and modernized facilities early in February. The spiral staircase in the new commons area fascinated everybody as underclassmen planned to hold future dances in it. A mood of anticipation and excitement pervaded the year. The opening of each new section, the completion of elevators and staircases and each final coat of paint made the realization of the package more believable. Seniors regretted that they would never attend classes in the new structure and underclassmen eagerly imagined the upcoming years' changes. Yet no school year could be as memorable as 1983. Never before had the school undergone such immense change in so little time, nor had the people experienced so much emotion about such a daily part of their lives. The final package came with beautiful new facilities and a strong feeling of pride in the school which replaced the eager, hopeful days that made the year so special.

Horticulture students Chris Weiler, Jody Russell and Gina Sahr make flower arrangements for Thanksgiving. The centerpieces consisted of mums and cattails.

Working on an engine in the newly completed auto mechanics room, Mr. Wayne Bahr checks the adjustments Bruce Wadman makes during his fourth hour class.

Prior to a home basketball game, pep band member Jana Cromer performs "The Star Spangled Banner." Part of the band package included playing at sporting events.

Cross country runner Russ Nathan strides toward the finish line after topping the last hill at the Koshkonong Mounds Golf Course during a meet against Monroe.

Plans to house the library on the second floor of the addition's northwest corner neared fulfillment as spring approached. Only interior work remained for builders.

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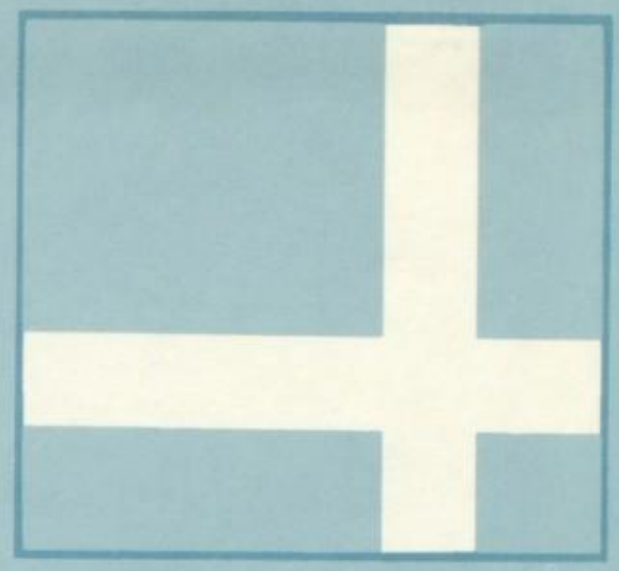

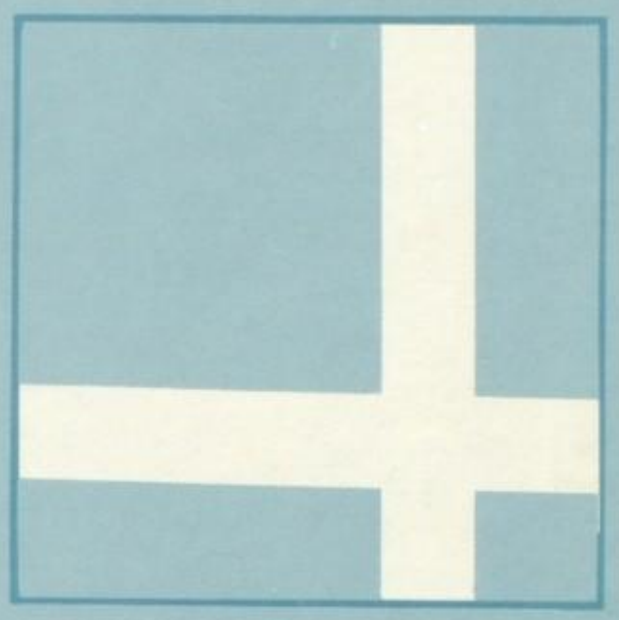

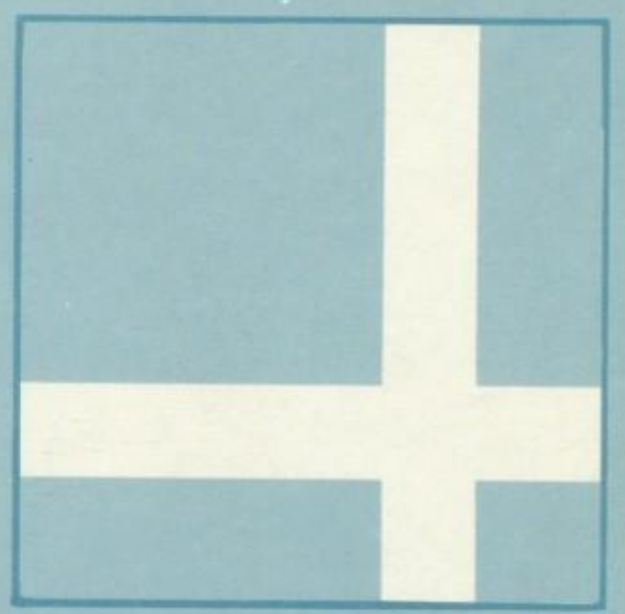

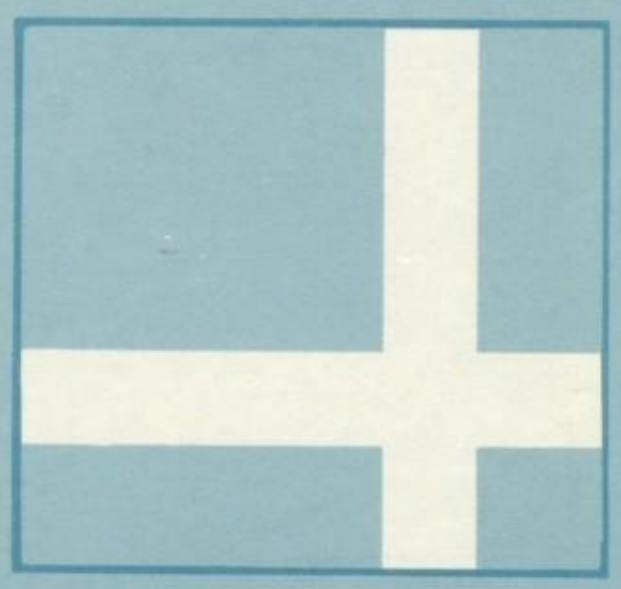

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